

Boxes

Ben Rector

[Intro]

C G D G

One, two, three

[Verse 1]

C G D G C G D G

I found boxes of first CDs tryin to get my office clean

C G D B Em C

Took ten years of folks givin them to me til I sat down

C G D G

And I saw hesitant poses and torn up jeans

C G D G

In cover photos friends took for free

C G D B Em C

For the six minute songs, and all their lifelong dreams the world turned down

[Chorus]

Em C G D

They re just dreamin up some life out on the road, oh

Em C G D

When all I dream about s the day that I ll be home

Em D C G

I d long forgotten how it feels to chase a dream

Em D C

Thank God for boxes of first CDs (yeah)

[Instrumental]

G D C G D C

[Verse 2]

C G D G

On through this Rolodex of railroad tracks and fresh-cut hair

C G D G

I see Joy who won some Grammys and is now a millionaire

C G D B Em C

Looks different now than she does right there, but that s how it goes

C G D G

As for the rest, I bet they re teachers or pastors now

C G D G

Pictured in jackets girlfriends picked out

C G D B Em

C

All their hometowns turned these up, all the labels turned them down, and never wrote (whoa)

[Chorus]

Em C G D

They re just dreamin up some life out on the road, oh
Em **C** **G** **D**
When all I dream about s the day that I ll be home
Em **D** **C** **G**
I d long forgotten how it feels to chase a dream
Em **D** **C**
Thank God for boxes of first CDs (yeah)

[Instrumental]

G D C G D C

[Bridge]

C **G** **D** **G**
A thrift store jacket and ten less pounds
C **G** **D** **G**
Lookin like a fool in some big field with my bare feet on the ground
C **G** **D** **B** **Em** **C**
Bad song titles and worse drum sounds, I didn t know

[Chorus]

Em **C** **G** **D**
That all my dreams had come true out here on the road
Em **C** **G** **D**
I never dreamed that I could call this life my own
Em **D** **C** **G**
Thought I d forgotten how it feels to chase a dream
Em **D** **C** **G**
But thank God for how it feels to chase a dream
Em **D** **C**
And thank God for boxes of first CDs (yeah)

[Outro]

G D C G D C G