

There Will Be A Reckoning
Billy Bragg

Intro: **Em** G D
 Em G D

(palm mute)

Em * G
Somewhere between the midnight
D Bm
And the cold and empty dawn
Em G
I found myself out walking
D Bm
On the streets where I was born
Em G
And I came upon a stranger
D Bm
Who looked Me in the face
Em G
And asked Me what I was doing
D Bm
In this god forsaken place

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(play open)
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C/G **G**
I don t need to be forgiven For something I haven t done
D **Em**
No forewarning my family To find their place in the sun
C/B **G**
If you keep this pressure on Just don t be surprised
D **Em**
If I can t summon up My dignity While You re roughing up My pride

Bm **Em**
 There will be a reckoning
C/G **G** **D**
 For the peddlers of hate,
Em **C/G** **G** **D**
 Who spread their poison all across this estate
Em **C/B** **G** **D**
 And a reckoning too, for the politicians who
A **C**
 Left Us to this fate
Em **G** **D**
 There will be a reckoning

Em G D

(palm mute)

Em G D Bm
Just a few days later, a man came to My door

Em G
To ask Me if I thought that

D Bm
This place was worth fighting for

Em G
And though I recognize his reasons

D Bm
I just could not agree

Em G
When they told me that My neighbor

D Bm
Would be My enemy

(play open)

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D Em
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C/B G
If You keep this pressure on Just don t be surprised

D Em
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Bm Em
There will be a reckoning

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For the peddlers of hate,

Em C/G G D
Who spread their poison all across this estate

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And a reckoning too, for the politicians who

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