

Small Axe
Bob Marley

...SMALL AXE... by Bob Marley
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from Burnin (1973)

[Intro]

Eb Bb, Bb7, F Bb, Bb7 (x2)

[Verse 1]

Eb **Bb** **F**
Why boasteth thy-self, o heathen men?
Eb **Bb** **F**
Playing smart and not being clever.
Eb **Bb**
I say you re working iniqui-ty,
F **F7**
To A-chieve vanity, if A-so A-so,
Eb **Bb** **F** **F7**
But the goodness of Jah-Jah, en-dureth for-ever.

[Chorus 1]

Eb **Bb** **Bb7**
If you are the big tree,
F **Bb** **Bb7**
We are the small axe.
Eb **Bb** **Bb7**
Ready to cut you down, (well sharp),
F **Bb** **Bb7**
To cut you down.

[Verse 2]

Eb **Bb** **F**
These are the words, of my Master;
Eb **Bb** **F**
No weak heart shall prosper.
Eb **Bb**
And whosoever diggeth a pit,
F **F7**

Shall fall in it, fall in it.

Eb

Bb

And whosoever diggeth a pit,

F

F7

Shall fall in it, (fall in it).

[Chorus 2]

Eb Bb Bb7

If you are the big tree,

F Bb Bb7

We are the small axe, (sharp and ready),

Eb Bb Bb7

Ready to cut you down, (well sharp),

F Bb Bb7

To cut you down.

[Bridge 1]

Eb

Bb

F

Bb

Ooh ooh, ooh ooh ooh, to cut you down.

Eb

Bb

F

Bb

Ooh ooh, ooh ooh ooh, to cut you down.

[Verse 3]

Eb

Bb

F

These are the words, of my Master;

Eb

Bb

F

Telling me that, no weak heart shall prosper.

Eb

Bb

And whosoever diggeth a pit,

F

F7

Shall fall in it, bury in it.

Eb

Bb

And whosoever diggeth a pit,

F

F7

Shall bury in it, (bury in it).

[Chorus 3]

Eb Bb Bb7

If you are the big, big tree,

F Bb Bb7

We are the small axe.

Eb Bb Bb7

Ready to cut you down, (well sharp),

F Bb Bb7

To cut you down.

[Chorus 4]

Eb Bb Bb7
If you are the big, big tree,
F Bb Bb7
We are the small axe.
Eb Bb Bb7
Ready to cut you down, (well sharp),
F Bb Bb7
To cut you down.

(Fade)

CHORD DIAGRAMS:

Eb	Bb	Bb7	F	F7
EADGBE	EADGBE	EADGBE	EAD G B E	EAD GB E
x68886	688766	686766	x81010108	x8108108

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