

**Bang a Drum**  
**Bon Jovi**

D G A D  
I went to see the preacher to teach me how to pray  
G D A  
He looked at me and smiled then that preacher turned away  
D G  
He said Son, if you want to tell him something  
A D  
You ain t gotta fold your hands  
G D  
Say it with your heart your soul and believe it,  
A D  
and I ll say amen

G A  
Bang a drum for the sinners, bang a drum for the  
D  
sins  
G D A  
Bang a drum for the losers and those who win  
D G A D  
Bang a drum, bang it loudly or as soft as you need  
G D A D  
Bang a drum for yourself son and a drum for me  
G D A D  
Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh oh oh let me hear you say:  
G D A D  
Yeah, yeah Hallelujah amen

D G A D  
I called upon my brother just the other day,  
G D A  
He said: Jon, I m gonna die if I don t start to live again  
D G  
I work each day and night like clockwork just  
A D  
trying to make ends meet  
G D A  
I could kick this bad world s ass if I could just get on my feet

D G A  
I d bang a drum for the dying, bang a drum for the  
D  
truth  
G D A

Bang a drum for the innocence lost in our youth

**D G A D**

Bang a drum bang it loudly or as soft as you need

**G D A D**

Bang a drum for you brother and a drum for me

**G D A D**

I don t know where all the rivers run

**G D A**

I don t know how far, I don t know how come

**Bm G D A**

But I m gonna die believin each step that I take

**Bm G**

Ain t worth the ground that I walk on

**A Bm**

If we don t walk it our own way

Solo: **Bm G D A Bm G A**

**D G A D**

No I don t claim to be a wise man a poet or a saint

**G D A**

I m just another man who s searching for a better way

**G D G**

But my heart beats loud as thunder for the things

**D**

that I believe

**G D A**

Sometimes I wanna run for cover, sometimes I want to scream

**D G A D**

Bang a drum for tomorrow, bang a drum for the past

**G D A**

Bang a drum for the heros that won t come back

**D G A**

Bang a drum for the promise, bang a drum for the

**D**

lies

**G D A**

Bang a drum for the lovers and the tears they ve cried

**D G A D**

Bang a drum, bang it loudly or as soft as you need

**G D**

But as long as my heart keeps on bangin

**A**

I got a reason to believe

**G D A D**

Yeah yeah oh yeah oh let me hear you say:

**G**            **D**            **A**    **D**

Yeah, yeah Hallelujah amen

**G**    **D**    **A**            **D**

Yeah yeah oh yeah oh let me hear you say:

**G**            **D**            **A**            **D**

Yeah, yeah Hallelujah amen