

**This Hard Land**  
**Bruce Springsteen**

Intro 2x: **F Bb C F**

Verse 1:

**Bb C**  
Hey there mister, can you tell me what happened

**F**  
To the seeds I ve sown

**Bb C**  
Can you give me a reason sir

**F**  
As to why they ve never grown

**Bb F**  
They ve just blown around from town to town

**C F**  
Till they re back out on these fields

**Bb F**  
Where they fall from my hand

**C F**  
Back into the dirt of this hard land

Verse 2:

**Bb C F**  
Now me and my sister from Germantown, we did ride

**Bb C F**  
We made our bed sir from the rock on the mountainside

**Bb F**  
We been blowin around from town to town

**C F**  
Lookin for a place to stand

**Bb F**  
Where the sun burst through the cloud to fall like a circle

**C F**  
Like a circle of fire down on this hard land

Verse 3:

**Bb C**  
Now even the rain it don t come round

**F**  
It don t come round here no more

**Bb C**  
And the only sound at night s the wind

**F**  
Slammin the back porch door

**Bb F**  
It just stirs you up like it wants to blow you down

**C F**  
Twistin and churnin up the sand

**Bb** **F**  
Leavin all them scarecrows lyin face down

**C** **F**  
Face down in the dirt of this hard land

Link: **F Bb C F (x2) Bb F C F (x2)**

Verse 3:

**Bb**  
From a building up on the hill  
**C** **F**  
I can hear a tape deck blastin Home on the Range

**Bb**  
I can see them Bar-M choppers  
**C** **F**  
Sweepin low across the plains  
**Bb** **F**  
It s me and you Frank we re lookin for lost cattle

**C** **F**  
Our hooves twistin and churnin up the sand  
**Bb** **F**  
We re ridin in the whirlwind searchin for lost treasure

**C** **F**  
Way down south of the Rio Grande

**Bb**  
We re ridin cross that river  
**F**

In the moonlight  
**C** **F**  
Up onto the banks of this hard land

Verse 4:

**Bb**  
Hey Frank won t ya pack your bags  
**C** **F**  
And meet me tonight down at Liberty Hall

**Bb**  
Just one kiss from you my brother  
**C** **F**  
And we ll ride until we fall

**Bb**  
We ll sleep in the fields  
**F** **C**  
We ll sleep by the rivers and in the morning

**F**  
We ll make a plan  
**Bb**  
Well if you can t make it  
**F**  
Stay hard, stay hungry, stay alive

**C**  
If you can

**F**

And meet me in a dream of this hard land

Outro: **F Bb C F (x2) Bb F C F (x2**