

The Hammer Going Down
Chris Knight

The Hammer Goin Down - Chris Knight/Dean Miller

The original key is in Bm (Dmaj). I prefer to do the song in Am standard tuning no

capo or original key Am with capo on second fret. I have submitted the tab in the original Bm key. Shane

Intro: Bm (4 measures)

Verse 1

Cm **Eb**
The sun s goin down on me, thoughts of her keep hauntin me,
G# **Cm** **Eb**
desperation s takin hold. My hands are on the steerin wheel, but
G#
my heart s back in Louisville, at the far end of a thousand miles of
Cm
road.

Chorus1

G# **Cm** **G#**
My mind s grindin like a steel gear baby, I ve gotta cover some
Bb **G#** **Eb** **G#**
ground, she d know how hard and fast I m fallin for her if she
Bb **Cm**
could just hear sound, of the hammer goin down.

Verse 2

Cm **Eb**
Now I ain t gonna waste my time talkin on no pay phone line,
G# **Cm**
words just don t get the message through. If this rig will hold out
Eb **G#**
one more day, she ll hear me forty miles away, tearin in this four
Cm
lane half in two.

Chorus2

G# **Cm** **G#**
My mind s grindin like a steel gear baby, I ve gotta cover some
Bb **G#** **Eb** **G#**
ground, she d know how hard and fast I m fallin for her if she
Bb **Cm**
could just hear sound, of the hammer goin down.

Solo after chorus 2nd chorus

G# Cm G# Bb G# Eb G# Bb Cm

Verse 3

Cm **Eb**
Now she ain t just a truck stop queen, she s the light guiding me,
G# **Cm**
a thousand miles for her love. Well I d go a million for one kiss,
Eb **G#**
drive those pistons with my fist, and do it all again if it ain t
Cm
enough.

Chorus3

G# **Cm** **G#**
My mind s grindin like a steel gear baby, I ve gotta cover some
Eb **G#** **Eb** **G#**
ground, she d know how hard and fast I m fallin for her if she
Bb **Cm**
could just hear sound, of the hammer goin down.

Outtro

G# **Bb** **Cm**
...if she could hear sound, of the hammer goin down (2x)

Long guitar solo **Bm**