

Ordinary Man
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Chords:

F - 133211 or xx3211
G - 355433 or 320033
Am - 577555 or x02210
C - x35553 or x32010
E - x79997 or 022100

[Intro]

F G Am (x3)

[Verse 1]

Am **G** **F** **Am**
Iâ€™m an ordinary man, nothing special, nothing grand
F **G** **Am**
Iâ€™ve had to work for everything I own
Am **G** **F** **Am**
I never asked for a lot, I was happy with what I got
F **G** **Am**
Enough to keep my family and my home

F **G** **Am** **F**
Now they say that times are hard and theyâ€™ve handed me my cards
F **E**
They say thereâ€™s not the work to go around
Am **G** **F** **Am**
And when the whistle blows, the gates will finally close
F **G** **Am**
Tonight theyâ€™re going to shut this factory down
F G Am
And theyâ€™ll tare it d-o-w-n

[Bridge]

F G Am

[Verse 2]

Am **G** **F** **Am**
I never missed a day, nor went on strike for better pay
F **G** **Am**
For 20 years I served them best I could
Am **G** **F** **Am**
Now with a handshake and a cheque it seems so easy to forget
F **G** **Am**
Loyalty through the bad times and through good

F **G** **Am** **F**
The owner says heâ€™s sad to see that things have got so bad
F **E**
But the captains of industry wont let him lose
Am **G** **F** **Am**
He still drives a car and smokes his cigar
F **G** **Am** **F** **G** **Am**
And still takes his family on a cruise, heâ€™ll never lose

[Instrumental]

F G Am

[Verse 3]

Am **G** **F** **Am**
Now it seems to me such a cruel irony
F **G** **Am**
Heâ€™s richer now than ever he was before
Am **G** **F** **Am**
Now my check is spent and I cant afford the rent
F **G** **Am**
Thereâ€™s one law for the rich, one for the poor
F **G** **C** **G** **Am**
Every day Iâ€™ve tried to salvage some of my pride
F **E**
To find some work soâ€™s I might pay my way
Am **G** **F** **Am**
Oh but everywhere I go, the answers always no
F **G** **Am**
Thereâ€™s no work for anyone here today
F **G** **Am**
No work t-o-D-A-y

[Instrumental]

F G Am

[Verse 4]

Am G F Am
And so condemned I stand, just an ordinary man
F G Am
Like thousands beside me in the queue
Am G F Am
I watch my darling wife trying to make the best of life
F G Am
And God knows what the kids are going to do
F G C Am F
Now that we are faced with this human waste
F E
A generation cast aside
Am G F Am
As long as I live, I never will forgive,
F G Am F G Am
Youâ€™ve stripped me of my dignity and pride, you stripped me bare
F G Am F G Am
Youâ€™ve stripped me bare, youâ€™ve stripped me bare.

[Instrumental] (Until End)

F G Am (x6)