

Ordinary Man  
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Dan is the Ordinary Man!!

Chords:

- E** - 133211 or xx3211
- F#** - 355433 or 320033
- G#m** - 577555 or x02210
- B** - x35553 or x32010
- Eb** - x79997 or 022100

[Intro]

**E F# G#m** (x3)

[Verse 1]

**G#m**                    **F#**                    **E**                    **G#m**  
Iâ€™m an ordinary man, nothing special, nothing grand

**E**                    **F#**                    **G#m**  
Iâ€™ve had to work for everything I own

**G#m**                    **F#**                    **E**                    **G#m**  
I never asked for a lot, I was happy with what I got

**E**                    **F#**                    **G#m**  
Enough to keep my family and my home

**E**                    **F#**                    **G#m**                    **E**  
Now they say that times are hard and theyâ€™ve handed me my cards

**E**                    **Eb**  
They say thereâ€™s not the work to go around

**G#m**                    **F#**                    **E**                    **G#m**  
And when the whistle blows, the gates will finally close

**E**                    **F#**                    **G#m**  
Tonight theyâ€™re going to shut this factory down

**E**    **F#**    **G#m**  
And theyâ€™ll tare it d-o-w-n

[Bridge]

**E**    **F#**    **G#m**

[Verse 2]

**G#m**                    **F#**                    **E**                    **G#m**  
I never missed a day, nor went on strike for better pay  
**E**                    **F#**                    **G#m**  
For 20 years I served them best I could  
**G#m**                    **F#**                    **E**                    **G#m**  
Now with a handshake and a cheque it seems so easy to forget  
**E**                    **F#**                    **G#m**  
Loyalty through the bad times and through good  
  
**E**                    **F#**                    **G#m**                    **E**  
The owner says heâ€™s sad to see that things have got so bad  
**E**                    **Eb**  
But the captains of industry wont let him lose  
**G#m**                    **F#**                    **E**                    **G#m**  
He still drives a car and smokes his cigar  
**E**                    **F#**                    **G#m**                    **E**                    **F#**                    **G#m**  
And still takes his family on a cruise, heâ€™ll never lose

[Instrumental]

**E**    **F#**    **G#m**

[Verse 3]

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

[Instrumental]

**E**    **F#**    **G#m**

[Verse 4]

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

[Instrumental] (Until End)

**E** **F#** **G#m** (x6)