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Key: **F**

Tuning: Standard EADGBe

Chords used:

F - 133211
C - x32010
Dm - xx0231
Bb - x13331
C/E - 032xxx
Bbm - x13321
C# - x46664
Gm - 355333
Eb - x68886

Intro: **F**-- x16
F--Dm-Bb- x6

Verse 1:

F **Dm** **Bb**
I catalog these steps now
F **Dm** **Bb**
decisive and intentioned
F
precise and patterned
Dm **Bb** **F** **Dm Bb**
specifically to yours
F **Bm** **Bb**
I m talented at breathing
F **Dm** **Bb**
especially exhaling
F
so that my chest will
Dm **Bb** **F** **Dm Bb**
rise and fall with yours

F--Dm-Bb- x4

Verse 2:

F **Dm** **Bb**
 I m careful not to wake you
F **Dm** **Bb**
 fearing conversation
F **Dm** **Bb**
 It s better just to hold you
F **Dm** **Bb**
 and keep you pacified
F **Dm** **Bb**
 I m talented with reason
F **Dm** **Bb**
 I cover all the angles
F **Dm** **Bb** **F** **Dm** **Bb**
 I can fail before I EVER try

Chorus 1:

F **C/E**
 Try to understand theres an
Bb **Bbm**
 old mistake that fools will make
F **Dm**
 And i m the king of them
Bb **C#**
 pushing everything that s good away
F **Dm** **Bb**
 So won t you hold me now?
Gm
 (I will not bend I will not break)
F **Dm** **Bb**
 Won t you hold me now?
Gm
 (I will not bend I will not break)

Post chorus: **F--Dm-Bb-** x2

Verse 3:

F **Dm** **Bb**
 I am fairly agile
F **Dm** **Bb**
 I can bend and not break
F
 Or I can break and
Dm **Bb** **F** **Dm** **Bb**
 take it with a smile
F **Dm** **Bb**
 I am so resilient
F **Dm** **Bb**
 I recover quickly
F
 I ll convince you

Dm Bb F Dm Bb

soon that i am fine

Chorus 2:

F C/E

Try to understand theres an

Bb Bbm

old mistake that fools will make

F Dm

And i m the king of them

Bb C#

pushing everything that s good away

F Dm Bb

So won t you hold me now?

Gm

(I will not bend I will not break)

F Dm Bb

Won t you hold me now?

Gm

(For you I rise for you I fall)

Interlude: **F--Dm--Eb--F--** x2

Bridge:

F Dm Eb F

Just hold me close to you

(Repeat x4)

Interlude: **F--Dm--Gm--C#--** x2

Chorus 3:

F Dm

Try to understand theres an

Bb Bb

old mistake that fools will make

F Dm

And i m the king of them

Bb Eb

pushing everything that s good away

F Dm Bb C#

So won t you hold me now?

F Dm Bb C#

Won t you hold me now?

Outro: **F--Dm-Bb-** x4, **F**(hold)