

**The Righteous Path**  
**Drive-By Truckers**

Tuned down one whole step (DGCFAD).

**Am** - x02210  
**C** - x32010  
**F** - xx3210  
**F/E** - xx2010  
**Fmaj7** - x33210  
**G** - 320033  
**Em** - 022000

[Intro]

**Am C F F/E** (x2)

[Verse]

<b>Am</b>	<b>C</b>
I got a brand new car that drinks a bunch of gas	
<b>F</b>	<b>F/E</b>
I got a house in a neighborhood that s fading fast	
<b>Am</b>	<b>C</b>
I got a dog and a cat that don t fight too much	
<b>F</b>	<b>F/E</b>
I got a few hundred channels to keep me in touch	
<b>Am</b>	<b>C</b>
I got a beautiful wife and three tow-headed kids	
<b>F</b>	<b>F/E</b>
I got a couple of big secrets I d kill to keep hid	
<b>Am</b>	<b>C</b>
I don t know God but I fear his wrath	
<b>F</b>	<b>F/E</b>
I m trying to keep focused on the righteous path	

[Interlude]

**Am C F F/E**

[Verse]

<b>Am</b>	<b>C</b>
I got a couple of opinions that I hold dear	
<b>F</b>	<b>F/E</b>
Got a whole lot of debt and a whole lot of fear	
<b>Am</b>	<b>C</b>
I got an itch that needs scratching but it feels alright	
<b>F</b>	<b>F/E</b>
I got the need to blow it out on Saturday night	

**Am** **C**  
I got a grill in the backyard and a case of beers  
**F** **F/E**  
I got a boat that ain t seen the water in years  
**Am** **C**  
More bills than money, I can do the math  
**F** **F/E**  
I m trying to keep focused on the righteous path

[Chorus]

**Fmaj7** **G**  
I m trying to keep focused as I drive down the road  
**Am** **C**  
On the ditches and the curves and the heavy load  
**Fmaj7** **G**  
Ain t bitching bout things that aren t in my grasp  
**Am** **C**  
Just trying to hold steady on the righteous path

[Interlude]

**Am C** (x2)

[Verse]

**Am** **C**  
There s this friend of mine I ve known all my life  
**F** **F/E**  
Who can t get it right no matter how hard he tries  
**Am** **C**  
He s got kids he don t see and several ex-wives  
**F** **F/E**  
And a list of bad decisions bout eight miles wide  
**Am** **C**  
Trouble with the law and the IRS  
**F** **F/E**  
And where he ll get the money s anybody s guess  
**Am** **C**  
He s a long way off but if you was to ask  
**F** **F/E**  
He d say