

**Have Mercy On The Criminal**  
**Elton John**

Mel: G Bb C Eb C Bb C G Bb C Eb C Bb C G Bb C Eb C Bb C G Bb C Bb C Eb F G  
 Chd: Cm Eb6/Bb F7/A Ab

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 Chd: Cm {none} Cm

Cm G7 B Cm Bb Fm Ab  
 Have you heard the dogs at night somewhere on the hill?  
 Cm G Cm G G B Eb Bb G B  
 Chasing some poor criminal & I guess they re out to kill.  
 Cm G7 B Eb Bb Fm Ab  
 Oh there must be shackles on his feet and mother in his eyes.  
 Cm G Cm G D G D G F D B  
 Stumbling thru devil dark with the hound pack in full cry.

Ab C Eb F Bb D F G Cm  
 Have mercy on the criminal who is running from the law.  
 Ab C Eb F Bb D F G Cm  
 Are you blind to the wind of change? Don t you hear him anymore?  
 Ab7 F Eb Ab Ab7 Ab G Gb Fm  
 Praying Lord you gotta help me. I am never gonna sin again  
 Cm Cm Bb Ab7 G7 Cm G7  
 Just take these chains from round my legs. Sweet Jesus I ll be your friend.

Cm G7 B  
 Now have you ever seen the white teeth gleam  
 Cm Bb Fm Ab  
 while you lie on a cold damp ground?  
 Cm G  
 You re taking in the face of a rifle butt  
 Cm G G B Eb Bb G B  
 while the wardens hold you down.  
 Cm G7 B Eb Bb Fm Ab  
 And you ve never seen a friend in years. Oh, it turns your heart to stone.  
 Cm G  
 You jump the walls and the dogs run free,  
 Cm G D G D G F D B  
 and the grave s gonna be your home.