

To Absent Friends
Frank Turner

B
Lunchtime Friday, leave work early
C#
Rushing through the suburbs to the station to catch the train
E **E**
Heading up to town to Dave s to get my glad rags on
B
Because lately I ve been running down, little things catching up
C#
Excuses stretched thin and it s hard not giving up
E **E**
Tonight we re going to get it right, we re going to have us a good one

C# **B**
And the roll call is missing a name
C# **A**
Since you left things haven t been the same
E **B** **A**
But I don t blame you, there was nothing here to make you stay
C# **B** **C#**
But I remember the way that you d light up a room when you walk in,
A **E**
The way that you d lead a crowd when you sing
B **A**
Jamie, this one is for you.

B C# E

B **C#**
Pre-club beers at Dan s before we hit the road
We re nicely warmed up, pleasantly half-loaded
E **E**
Ready for a night on fire, we re going to get out the big guns
B
And I run down the numbers, scan through the faces
C#
Run through the plans, scout out the places
E **E**
I m electrified, surrounded, but can t shake the feeling of still missing
something or someone

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The way that you'd lead a crowd when you sing

B **A** **E**
Jamie, this one is for you.

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A (cont.) **Ab** **E** **B**
I'm wide awake

Ab **E** **B** **A** **Ab** **E** **B**
in the cityscape

Ab **E** **B** **A**

Ab **E** **B** **Ab**
You did your time out on the road

E **B** **A** **Ab**
One day you stayed away for good

E **B** **Ab**
You found a home down by the shore

E **B** **A** **Ab**
A place to hang your hat and more

A **Ab**
You sent me postcards to tell me of

B **A** **Ab**
Slowing down and finding love

A **Ab**
The thrill has gone from the city life

B **A**
I'm not far behind

C# **B**
So you can strike my name from the roll call,

C# **A**
When night falls I'm leaving

E **B** **A**
There is nothing here to make me stay

C# **B**
When I get to the coast I will send back a postcard

C# **A**
To tell all my old friends all about my new start

E **B** **A**
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