

Persevere

Gang Of Youths

Dave s acoustic version here is intense and awesome:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bhI8IMQtup8>

The chords sound best if you get the hammer-on s going on the C, Am and F chords
in the verse
(Hammer-on/pull-off on the middle note in each chord)

[Verse 1]

C G G7 Am F
I never got to kiss your head, ah, Emme
C G F
And the call came the week I got divorced
C G Am F
I thought I had a real understanding then of loss
C G F
But I didn t know a thing til you were gone
C G Am F
And I m tired of trying to find some sort of meaningful thing
C G F
In making sense of such unspeakable loss
C G Am F
But as I m staring at your folks, the sweetest people I know
C G F
I get a glimpse of what it is to be strong
C G F
Just holding hands and sobbing with sunglasses on

[Chorus]

F C F C
Cause nothing tuned me in to absurdity as fast
F C Am G
As a gravestone with the name of a baby that has passed
F C Am G
I used to wanna be important, now I just wanna be alive
F G
And without fear

You got to persevere

[Instrumental]

C G G7 Am F
C G F
(x2)

[Verse 2]

C **G** **G7** **Am** **F**
I couldn't count the times I've ragged on heaven
C **G** **F**
As an opiate invented by the weak
C **G** **F** **C**
It's an argument I hate cause I'm content to love the fates
C **G** **F**
But it comes up a lot with Emme's dad and me
C **G** **Am** **F**
So I'm shotgun in the car and we're just shooting the shit
C **G** **F**
And predictably, the talking turns to God
C **G** **Am** **F**
So I throw him forty lines how I don't think he exists
C **G** **F**
And he just smiles and takes a dignified pause
C **G** **F**
Says,