

Chickenman
Indigo Girls

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CHICKENMAN (Amy Ray)

[Tuning: DADGBD]
[Each chord is one measure.]
[I mostly got these chords from the songbook, but I m not sure they re
right. The songbook had some blatant errors, so I can t really trust it.]

D5: 000230 D7sus: 000210, or maybe 005530? Csus9: 030030 G: 020000
D(4): 000030? D: 000234 Dsus: 000235

[Play the D5 (and possibly the D7sus, if you use the 000210 fingering)
with hammer-ons from 0 to 2 on the G string every now and then.]

D5 D7sus D5
I am an only child born of the wild
D7sus D5 D7sus D5
Riddled to spend my time defending my land

D5 D7sus
You are the only one born in the sun
D5 D7sus D7sus D5
Riddled to spend your time defending my plan

D5 D5 D5 D5 D5 D5 D5 D5
[instrumental]

D5 D7sus D5 D7sus
Dead dog on the highway, median cats are growling at me
D5 D5 D7sus D5 D5
I turn my lights on brighter, I m counting through the night ride

Csus9 G D5 D5

And it s one more life for the taker, Chickenman

Csus9 **G** **D5** **D5**

One more song for the maker, Chickenman

D5 **D5** **D5** **D7sus**

On the road to Athens, I saw a dead deer on the highway

D5 **D5** **D7sus** **D5** **D5**

I slipped into a desert, five prairie dogs and a rabbit

I was running down on Queen Street, I saw a woman on the sidewalk

She was beaten by a stranger, danger danger danger

Csus9 **G** **D5** **D5**

And it s one more life for the taker, Chickenman, hold my hand

Csus9 **G** **D5** **D5**

One more song for the maker (Hold my hand, Chickenman)

D(4) **D5** **D(4)** **D5** **D(4)** **D5** **D(4)** **D5**

[Instrumental]

D5 **D5** **D - Dsus** **D - Dsus** **D - Dsus** **D - Dsus**

[instrumental]

I was on the road to Austin, I met a man on the highway

He sold me junk and conversation, he was wise and dirty from the weather

I said, darkness into darkness, all the carnage of my journeys

Makes it harder to be living; he said, it s a long road to be forgiven

Csus9 **G** **D5** **D5**

And it s one more life for the taker, Chickenman, hold my hand

Csus9 **G** **D5** **D5** **D5** [stop]

One more song for the maker (Chickenman, Chickenman, hold my hand)

I am an only child born of the wild

Riddled to spend my time defending my land

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Riddled to spend your time defending my plan

n.C. n.C. **D5** **D5**

[instrumental]

D5 **D5**

I went looking for a car, found myself beneath the stars

D5 **D5**

I went looking for a girl, found a man and his world

D5 - **D5/E** **D5/F#** - **D5/C**

Chickenman, chickenman, chickenman, hold my hand

D5 - **D5/E** **D5/F#** - **D5/C**

Chickenman, chickenman, chickenman, hold my hand [repeat until ending]

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