

Song For Adam
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(capo up 2)

G F# Em D C
Though Adam was a friend of mine, I did not know him well,
G F# Em D C D
He was alone into his distance, he was deep into his well.
G F# Em D C
I could guess what he was laughing at, but I couldn't really tell.
G F# Em D C Em
Now the story's told that Adam jumped, but I'm thinking that he fell.

G F# Em D C
Together we went traveling as we received the call.
G F# Em D C D
His destination India, and I had none at all.
G F# Em D C
Well, I still remember laughing with our backs against the wall.
G F# Em D C Em D
So free of fear we never thought that one of us might fall.

C G C G
I sit before my only candle, but it's so little light to find my way.
C Em
Now this story unfolds before my candle,
G D
Which is shorter every hour as it reaches for the day.
C D
But I feel just like a candle in a way.

C G D C
I guess I'll get there, but I wouldn't say for sure.
G F# Em D C
When we parted we were laughing still as our goodbyes were said.
G F# Em D C D
And I never heard from him again as each our lives were led.
G F# Em D C
Except for once in someone else's letter I once read.
G F# Em D C Em D
Until I heard the sudden word that a friend of mine was dead.

C G C G
I sit before my only candle, like a pilgrim sits beside the way.
C Em
Now this journey appears before my candle
G D
As a song that's growing fainter, the harder I play,
C D

Til I fear before I end will fade away.

C

G D C

But I guess I ll get there, though I wouldn t say for sure.

G F# Em D C

Though Adam was a friend of mine, I did not know him long.

G F# Em D C D

And when I stood myself beside him, I never thought I was as strong.

G F# Em C

Still it seems he stopped his singing in the middle of his song.

G F# Em D C Em D

Well I m not the one to say I know, but I m hoping he was wrong.

C G C G
I m holding out my only candle, though it s so little light to find my way.

C Em

Now this story s been laid beneath my candle,

G D

And it s shorter every hour as it reaches for the day.

C D

Yes, I feel just like a candle in a way.

C G D C

I hope I get there, but I never pray.