

Rhymes And Reasons

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Tune down one full tone.

**F#**                      **C#/F#**                      **B/E**                      **F#**  
So you        speak to me in sadness and the coming of the winter,  
Though the city starts to crumble and the towers fail around us

**Ebm**                      **Bbm**                      **B**                      **C#**  
fear that is within you know that seems to never end,  
the sun is slowly fading and it s colder than the sea

**F#**                      **C#/F#**                      **B/E**                      **F#**  
and the dreams that have escaped you and the hope that you ve forgotten  
it is written: From the desert to the        mountains they shall lead us

**Ebm**                      **F#**                      **C#**  
and you tell me that you need me now and you want to be my friend  
by the hand and by the heart and they will comfort you and me.

**B**                      **F#**                      **C#/F#**  
and you wonder where we re going, where s the rhyme and where s the reason  
In their innocence and trusting, they will        teach us to be free.

**Ebm**                      **F#**                      **C#/F#**  
and it s you cannot accept it is here we must begin

[Instrumental]

**G#m**  
to seek the wisdom of the children

**F#**                      **B**                      **C#**  
and the graceful way of flowers in the wind.

[Instrumental]

**F#**                      **C#/F#**                      **B/E**                      **F#**  
For the children and the flowers for my sisters and my brothers,  
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**Ebm**                      **Bbm**                      **B**                      **C#**  
their laughter and their loveliness would clear a cloudy day.  
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**F#**                      **C#/F#**                      **B/E**                      **F#**

Like the music of the mountains and the colors of the rainbow  
And the song that I am singing is a prayer for nonbelievers

<b>Ebm</b>	<b>F#</b>	<b>C#7/F#</b>	<b>F#</b>	<b>C/F#</b>	<b>C#7/G</b>						
they	re	a	promise	of	the	future	and	the	blessing	for	today.
<b>Ebm</b>	<b>F#</b>	<b>C#7/F#</b>	<b>B/G</b>	<b>F#</b>	<b>B/F#</b>	<b>C#7/G</b>	<b>F#</b>				
come	and	stand	beside	us	we	can	find	a	better	way.	

**C#/F#**: 2xx23x  
**B/E** : x32x1x  
**Ebm** : x2443x  
**B/G** : 332x1x  
**C#7/G**: 3xx21x