

Rhymes And Reasons

John Denver

Tune down one full tone.

**A** **E/F#** **D/E** **A**  
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

**F#m** **C#m** **D** **E**  
fear that is within you know that seems to never end,  
the sun is slowly fading and it s colder than the sea

**A** **E/F#** **D/E** **A**  
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

**F#m** **A** **E**  
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.

**D** **A** **E/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.

**F#m** **A** **E/F#**  
and it s you cannot accept it is here we must begin

[Instrumental]

**Bm**  
to seek the wisdom of the children

**A** **D** **E**  
and the graceful way of flowers in the wind.

[Instrumental]

**A** **E/F#** **D/E** **A**  
For the children and the flowers for my sisters and my brothers,  
For the children and the flowers for my sisters and my brothers,

**F#m** **C#m** **D** **E**  
their laughter and their loveliness would clear a cloudy day.  
their laughter and their loveliness would clear a cloudy day.

**A** **E/F#** **D/E** **A**

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

**F#m** **A** **E7/F#** **A** **C/A** **E7/G**  
they re a promise of the future and the blessing for today.  
**F#m** **A** **E7/F#** **D/G** **A** **D/A** **E7/G** **A**  
come and stand beside us we can find a better way.

**E/F#**: 2xx23x  
**D/E** : x32x1x  
**C#m** : x2443x  
**D/G** : 332x1x  
**E7/G**: 3xx21x