

The Middle

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Standard Tuning

Capo 4

Intro: **G, D, C** 2x

[Verse 1]

G **D** **C**
I ve been around for a little over 20 years
G **D** **C**
And to anyone who needs advice on getting here
Am **D** **Am** **D** **Em** **Em** **D**
Don t ask me, the path i took was not exactly by the book, by the book

G **D** **C**
I was too young to know and too dumb to figure out
G **D** **C**
That you can lose yourself in all this traveling around
Am **D** **Am** **D** **Em**
When you reach a point of no return losing touch with lessons learned,
Em **D**
lessons learned

Am **D** **G**
Let me tell you now where i went wrong
Am **D** **G** **Am**
Hollywood is just another place i don t belong

[Chorus]

G **D**
Let s go to the middle where time stands still
Em **C**
Let s get lost in those hills
G **D**
Live a little closer to what is true
Em **C**
I ll be me and you be you

G, D, C 2x

[Verse 2]

G **D** **C**
I m finding out the ways of this world
G **D** **C**
Can be overcome with one boy s love for just one girl
Am **D** **Am** **D** **Em**
And the only way to love yourself is to give your love to someone else,

Em **D**
someone else

Am **D** **G**
Don t believe in everything you hear
Am **D** **G** **Am**
Growing up is more than simply living through the years

[Chorus]

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[Bridge]

C
I m disappointed in myself
Am **Em**
I left you on a shelf that i could never reach
Em **C** **Am**
I practiced what you d always preached against
C
But now i m back in my defense
Em **D**
That black and white world we tried to paint is really gray

Am **D** **G**
So it took a little time to get this right
Am **D** **G** **Am**
The guilty and the innocent are always side by side

[Chorus]

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Em **C** **G**
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