

[tab] **G** **Em** **C/G**
He turned, and said "Come up here boy, and show us what you are"[/tab]
[tab] **D**
I said "I m dry"-and he brought me a beer[/tab]

Verse 1-bis: (spoken)

[tab] **G** **C/G** **G**
He nodded at my guitar and said "It s a tough life, ain t it"[/tab]
[tab] **D**
C/G
I just looked at him, and he said "You ain t makin any money, are
you?"[/tab]
[tab] **G** **Em**
C/G
I said "You ve been readin my mail". He just smiled and said "Let me see
your guitar"[/tab]
[tab] **C/G** **G**
I ve got something you want to hear. Then he laid it on me[/tab]

Verse sang 1:

[tab] **G** **C/G**
If you waste your time of talkin to the people who don t listen[/tab]
[tab] **D**
To the things that you are sayin , who do you think s gonna hear[/tab]
[tab] **G** **C/G**
And if you should die explaining how the things that they complain
about[/tab]
[tab] **G** **D** **G**
Are things they could be changin who do you think s gonna care[/tab]
[tab] **D** **C/G** **G**
There were other lonely singers in a world turned deaf and blind[/tab]
[tab] **D**
Who were crucified for what they tried to show[/tab]
[tab] **G** **C/G** **G**
And their voice s have been scattered by the swirling winds of
time[/tab]
[tab] **D** **G**
Cause the truth remains that no one wants to know[/tab]

Verse 4: (spoken)

[tab] **G** **C/G** **G**
Well, the old man was a stranger, but i d heard his song before[/tab]
[tab] **D**
C/G
Back when failure had me locked out on the wrong side of the door[/tab]
[tab] **G** **Em** **C/G**
When no one stood behind me but my shadow on the floor[/tab]
[tab] **D**
And lonesome was more than a state of mind[/tab]

Verse 2-bis:(spoken)

[tab] **G** **C/G**
G
You see,the devil haunts a hungry man,and if you don t wanna join
him[/tab]
[tab] **D** **C/G**
You got to beat him[/tab]
[tab] **G** **Em**
C/G
I ain t sayin i beat the devil but i drank his beer for nothing[/tab]
[tab] **G**
Then i stole his song[/tab]

Verse sang 2:

[tab] **G** **C/G**
And you still can hear me singin to the people who don t listen[/tab]
[tab] **G** **D**
To the things that i am sayin ,prayin someones gonna hear[/tab]
[tab] **G** **C/G**
And i guess i ll die explainig how the things that they complain
about[/tab]
[tab] **G** **D** **G**
Are things they could be changin ,hopin someones gonna care[/tab]
[tab] **D** **C/G** **G**
I was born a lonely singer,and i m bound to die the same[/tab]
[tab] **D**
But i ve got to feed the hunger in my soul[/tab]
[tab] **G** **C/G** **G**
And if i never have a nickle i won t ever die ashamed[/tab]
[tab] **D** **G**
Cause i don t believe that no one wants to know[/tab]

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