

Anthem

Leonard Cohen

NOTES:

- * capo instrument at 1st fret
- * all verses similar to 1st verse in chord structure

Introduction: Am /G

[Verse 1]

D
The birds they sang
at the break of day

A
Start again

D D7
I heard them say

F#7
Don't dwell on what

Bm
has passed away

A Asus4 A5 A7 A
or what is yet to be.

The wars they will
be fought again
The holy dove
be caught again
bought and sold
and bought again
the dove is never free.

[Chorus]

G C G
Ring the bells that still can ring.

C G
Forget your perfect offering.

D C G
There is a crack, a crack, in everything.

Em A Asus4 A
That's how the light gets in.

[Verse 2]

We asked for signs
the signs were sent:
the birth betrayed
the marriage spent
the widowhood
of every government -
signs for all to see.

Can't run no more
with the lawless crowd
while the killers in high places
say their prayers out loud.
But they've summoned up
A thundercloud
and they're going to hear from me.

[Chorus]

G C G
Ring the bells that still can ring.
C G
Forget your perfect offering.
D C G
There is a crack, a crack, in everything.
Em A Asus4 A
That's how the light gets in.

[Verse 3]

You can add up the parts
but you won't have the sum
You can strike up the march,
there is no drum
Every heart
to love will come
but like a refugee.

[Chorus]

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Ring the bells that still can ring.
C G
Forget your perfect offering.
D C G
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[Outro] **D A D D7 F#7 Bm A Asus4 A5 A7 A**