

The Weeping Song
Nick Cave & The Bad Seeds

[Melody]

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[Verse 1]

Gm **F** **Gm**
Go son, go down to the water
And see the women weeping there
Then go up into the mountains
The men, they are weeping too

[Verse 2]

Father, why are all the women weeping?
They are weeping for their men
Then why are all the men there weeping?
They are weeping back at them

[Chorus]

F **Gm**
This is a weeping song
A song in which to weep

Gm **F**
While all the men and women sleep
This is a weeping song
But I won't be weeping long

[Verse 3]

Father, why are all the children weeping?
They are merely crying son
O, are they merely crying, father?
Yes, true weeping is yet to come

[Chorus]

This is a weeping song
A song in which to weep
While all the men and women sleep
This is a weeping song
But I won't be weeping long

(It's the same chords here, as usual, but you can play softer or stress the bass
for this part if you like.)

[Verse 4]

O father tell me, are you weeping?
Your face seems wet to touch
O then I'm so sorry, father
I never thought I hurt you so much

(play as usual)

[Chorus]

This is a weeping song
A song in which to weep
While we rock ourselves to sleep
This is a weeping song
But I won't be weeping long
But I won't be weeping long
But I won't be weeping long
But I won't be weeping long