

The Ghost Of Johnny Cash
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Acoustic version from KINK.FM video

Key: **G**

Standard Tuning (I think the studio version is in **E** and uses an alternate tuning. I liked this version since Shawn transposed it into standard tuning, which makes it easier to play live and it loses none of the character of the studio version)

Gm **F**
I woke up in a cold sweat, from a dream at 3am,
C/F# **Eb**
I was driftin on a sea of shadows; the rain was whippin in the wind
Gm **Bb** **F** **C/F#**
I saw a man dressed all in black, reach out and take the helm,
Eb **D** **Gm**
And he charted us a course, out into the spirit realm.

Gm **F**
I can taste the salt; feel the blisters on my hand
C/F# **Eb**
As I m pulling at the ores, rowing on to glory land,
Gm **Bb** **F** **C/F#**
And sitting in the stern, singin hymns and talkin trash
Gm **F** **C/F#** **Eb** **D** **Gm**
Is my broken guardian angel, the ghost of Johnny Cash.

Gm **F**
Well, Johnny s quoting from the bible, while I m trying to steer this leaky
craft,
C/F# **Eb**
And his familiar voice reminds me that I m man who s cut in half,
Gm **Bb** **F** **C/F#**
His tarnished halo slips and shines, as the raging billows crash,
Gm **F** **C/F#** **Eb** **D** **Gm**
And I m riding out the deluge with the ghost of Johnny Cash

Chorus:

F
Some sinners need their saints to be survivors of the fall,
Gm **F** **C/F#** **D**
Cuz when you re down here on your knees, most angels look to tall,
Gm **F** **C/F#** **Eb**
So I ll just live this life out dust to dust and ash to ash,
Gm **F** **C/F#** **Eb** **D** **Gm**
With my guide from the other side the ghost of Johnny Cash,

Interlude:

Gm, F, C/F#, Eb, Gm

Gm **F**
You gotta stand for something, cuz when you re gone your gone
C/F# **Eb**
The devil lost a lot of souls when Johnny put that black suit on,
Gm **Bb** **F** **C/F#**
He s still flipping off the Pharacies and laughing at old scratch
Gm **F** **C/F#** **Eb** **D** **Gm**
While he haunts the halls of heaven, the ghost of Johnny Cash

Chorus:

F
Some sinners need their saints to be survivors of the fall,
Gm **F** **C/F#** **D**
Cuz when you re down here on your knees, most angels look to tall,
Gm **F** **C/F#** **Eb**
So I ll just live this life out dust to dust and ash to ash,
Gm **F** **C/F#** **Eb** **D** **Gm**
With my guide from the other side the ghost of Johnny Cash,

Gm **F** **C/F#** **Eb**
Yeah, I ll just live this life out dust to dust and ash to ash
Gm **F** **C/F#** **Eb** **D** **Gm**
Until I m raisin hell in heaven with the ghost of Johnny Cash