

**If You Only Knew  
Shinedown**

This is the acoustic guitar only; electric is basically power (fifth) chords of the same names.

A note on the verse riff: The first Am is actually Asus2 with some hammer ons to Am on the open B string, then a hammer on to Asus4. Listen to the song and you'll understand what I'm talking about.

[Verse]

**Am**  
If you only knew  
**Am**  
I'm hanging by a thread  
**F C F C**  
The web I spin for you  
**Am**  
If you only knew  
**Am**  
I'd sacrifice my beating  
**F C F C**  
Heart before I lose you

[Pre-Chorus]

**Dsus2**  
I still hold onto the letters  
**G**  
You returned  
**G**  
I swear I've lived and learned

[Chorus]

**C Em**  
It's 4:03 and I can't sleep  
**Am G**  
Without you next to me I  
**G C**  
Toss and turn like the sea  
**C Em**  
If I drown tonight, bring me  
**Em Am**  
Back to life

**Am**

Breathe your breath in me

**G**

The only thing that I still

**F C G Am F C G Am**

believe in is you, if you only knew

Solo rhythm is the same as the verse. Listen to the song for strum patterns.  
Enjoy!

-Steve