

As If I Could
Ted Leo

Here s a new song that Ted Leo performs. It s awesome. I love it. I think the lyrics are 98% right. Just not sure what he says in the second line, (dubious?) and few other lines might be iffy. Other than that, I think it s fairly accurate. Not sure what he does between the verses though. Maybe some variation of the D chord. The notes that he picks are e, d c#, b.

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D **A** **Bm**
I spent the morning with my vitamins and many black teas

G **F#m** **Em** picking part
E,D, C#, B
combatting the dubious induced haze

A **Em** **F#m** **Em**
barely awake, already shaken by the misty newsfeed

Bm
I ain t slept very well for days

G **A** **D** **Bm**
for all the schadenfreude of mocking stupid politicians

G **F#m** **Em**
I should try to bring a better spirit to my day

A **Em** **Bm**
although I can t believe our souls are at their basest, good

G **A** **Bm** **Em**
i d like to live as if I could (oh yea)

G **A** **D**
i d like to live as if I could

D	A	Bm
You try to offer something without asking much return		

G	F#m	Em	Picking part
At best even less than it is worth			

A	Em	F#m	Em
And watch it taken every day from every petty picker			

Bm
More than you can accumulate from birth

G A D

Bm

No, you might never know how the work you ve done affects your living

G	F#m	Em
Trust	in animus	might just get you through the day

A **Em** **Bm**
And though I don t believe it s lucky when you knock on wood

G **A** **Bm** **Em**
I d to live as if I could (oh yea)

G A D
I d to live as if i could.

Breakdown: D, A, Bm, G, Fm, Em,
Pick, A, Em, Fm, Em, Bm, G,
Fm, Em

A	Em	Bm
And though I don t believe in God, and don t think that I should		

G i d like to live as if I could (oh yea)

G **A** **D**

i d like to live as if I could.