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Ordinary Joe
Terry Callier
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Terry Callier - Ordinary Joe (Occasional Rain - 1971)

intro: Amaj7 Emaj7 Gmaj7 Dmaj7

Amaj7 Emaj7 Gmaj7

Dmaj7 Amaj7

And for my opening line

Emaj7

I m not trying to indicate my state of mind.

Amaj7

I turn you on,

Emaj7

I tell you that I m laughing just to keep from crying

Emaj7

Amaj7 Emaj7

Pretty music when you hear it,

Amaj7

Keep on trying to get near it.

Amaj7 Emaj7

A little rhythm for your spirit

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Oh but that s what it s for

G A

Come on in, here s the door

Amaj7 Emaj7

And I ve seen a sparrow get high

Gmaj7 Dmaj7

And waste his time in the sky

Amaj7 Emaj7

He thinks it s easy to fly

Gmaj7 Dmaj7

He s just a little bit freer than I

Amaj7

Now here s a mystery

Emaj7

And maybe you can help to make it clear to me

Amaj7

When you re fast asleep

Emaj7

Then what is it that s lighting up the dreams you see

Amaj7

Emaj7

Only your tears can t conceal it Amaj7 Emaj7 And only your prayers may not reveal it Amaj7 Emaj7 You ve got soul so you can feel it And when you make the scene Well you know what I mean Amaj7 Emaj7 Hey, I ve seen a sparrow get high Gmaj7 Dmaj7 And waste his time in the sky Amaj7 Emaj7 He thinks it s easy to fly Gmaj7 Dmaj7 He s just a little bit freer than I Amaj7 Emaj7 Gmaj7 Dmaj7 x 2 Amaj7 Emaj7 Gmaj7 Dmaj7 Amaj7 Down here on the ground Emaj7 When you find folks are giving you the runaround Amaj7 Keep your game uptight Emaj7 And if you must just take your secrets underground Amaj7 Emaj7 Now politicians are trying to speech you Amaj7 Emaj7 Mad colour watchers are trying to teach you Amaj7 Emaj7 Very few will really try to reach you D Е If you re lost in a stack G That s OK, come all black

Amaj7 Emaj7

Now I d be the last to deny
Gmaj7 Dma

That I m just an average guy

Amaj7 Emaj7

And don t you know each little bird in the sky

Gmaj7

Dmaj7

Is just a little bit freer than I

Amaj7

Hey ordinary Joe

Emaj7

Although they say you re just a lazy so-and-so

Amaj7

What they think is real

Emaj7

Is nothing but an animated puppet show

Amaj7

Emaj7

So don t let time and space confuse you

Amaj7

Emaj7

And don t let name and form abuse you

Amaj7

Emaj7

Let that Big Joe Williams blues you

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In the light of the sun you can see how they burn

Amaj7

Emaj7

Oh I ve seen a sparrow get high

Gmaj7

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And waste his time in the sky

Ama i 7

Emai7

He thinks it s easy to fly

Gmaj7

Dmaj7

He s just a little bit freer than i

Amaj7 Emaj7 to fade

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Emaj7 x76444

Gmaj7 xx5432

Dmaj7 x54222

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