

After The Fall
The Kinks

Intro G Notes played C# D B
Riff 1 A A G/A G x3 G/D G/E G/F# G/E

D A Em Bm
I just had a really bad fall and this time it was harder to get up than before
D A Em (Hold)

I shouted to the heavens and a vision appeared I cried out Can you help? ,
G Riff1

it replied Not at all

G Riff 1 G Riff 1 G
After the fall is over You ll be on your own After the fall is over

D A Bm G
There ll be wrecks to clear in this war zone There ll be much to clean and time to atone

D A Bm G
But while it s dark you can shelter here In the bleak midwinter when you re feeling the fear

Em (hold) A Riff 2D A G D D Riff1
Ah, but when the mist clears, the sun will shine again
G Riff1 G Riff1 G

Riff1
A life s gotta have direction After the deals are done You gotta ask the question

D A Em
Ask yourself why you go through it all When morality kicks in,

Bm
who will catch you when you fall

D A Em
I m a sinner waiting at the traveler s rest Seeking refuge from the storm,

Bm
and I m a grateful guest

D A
And a prophet cries out in high platitudes

Em Bm
I smile and say, Hey, I was just passing through

D A
And an angel cries, Wait, we ll tell you when to move

Em D Riff 1
Even at the gates of Heaven I ll be waiting in a queue

G Riff1 G Riff1
Seems like I m falling upwards Into the great white blue

G Riff1
And all my imperfections

::/: D A
You can learn your lines and fabricate a show

Bm G ::/:

But the way we come in, yeah, that s the way we re gonna go
We cheat and lie to conquer our fears
We can put on a smile just to cover up the tears