

Black Messiah
The Kinks

C **G** **Bb** **F**
Everybody got the right to speak their mind, so don't shoot me for
saying mine.

F **A7** **Dm7** **Bb**
Everybody talk about racial equality,
F **A7** **Dm7** **Bb**
Cos everybody's equal in the good Lord's eyes.

F **C** **Dm7**
But if I told you that God was black? What would you think of that?
F **C** **F**
I bet you wouldn't believe it.

F **A7** **Dm7** **Bb**
There's a self-made prophet living right next to me,
F **A7** **Dm7** **Bb**
He said the Black Messiah's gonna come and set the whole world free.

F **C** **Dm7** **Bb** **F**
C **F**
He looked at me with his evil eye and prophesied. And he really
believed it.

F **A7** **Dm7** **A7** **Dm7**
He said a Black Messiah is gonna set the world on fire.
F **C** **C7**
And he's no liar, cos he has truly heard the word.
F **A7** **Dm7** **Bb**
Everybody talk about racial equality.
F **A7** **Dm7** **Bb**
But I'm the only honky living on an all black street.
F **C** **Dm7** **Bb**
They knock me down cos they brown and I white.

C **G**
Bb **F**
Everybody got the right to speak their mind, so don't shoot me for
saying mine.
F **A7** **Dm** **Bb** **F** **A7** **Dm** **Bb**
F **A7** **Dm7** **Bb**
Everybody talk about racial equality,
F **A7** **Dm7** **Bb**
Yeah, everybody talk about equal rights.
F **C** **Dm7**
But white's white, black's black and that's that.
Bb **F** **C** **F**
And that's the way you should leave it.

F **A7** **Dm7** **A7** **Dm7**
Don t want no Black Messiah to come and set the world on fire.

| F | C | C7 |
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| A Black Messiah is gonna come and rule the world. | | |

F **A7** **Dm7** **Bb**
Everybody got to show a little give and take.

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| F | A7 | Dm7 | Bb |
| Everybody got to live with a little less hate. | | | |

F **C** **Dm7** **Bb**

Everybody gotta work it out, we gotta sort it out.

Bb **F**
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saying mine.