

Black Messiah
The Kinks

B **F#** **A** **E**
Everybody got the right to speak their mind, so don t shoot me for
saying mine.

E **G#7** **C#m7** **A**
Everybody talk about racial equality,

E **G#7** **C#m7** **A**
Cos everybody s equal in the good Lord s eyes.

E **B** **C#m7**
But if I told you that God was black? What would you think of that?

E **B** **E**
I bet you wouldn t believe it.

E **G#7** **C#m7** **A**
There s a self-made prophet living right next to me,

E **G#7** **C#m7** **A**
He said the Black Messiah s gonna come and set the whole world free.

E **B** **C#m7** **A** **E**

B **E**
He looked at me with his evil eye and prophesied. And he really
believed it.

E **G#7** **C#m7** **G#7** **C#m7**
He said a Black Messiah is gonna set the world on fire.

E **B** **B7**
And he s no liar, cos he has truly heard the word.

E **G#7** **C#m7** **A**
Everybody talk about racial equality.

E **G#7** **C#m7** **A**
But I m the only honky living on an all black street.

E **B** **C#m7** **A**
They knock me down cos they brown and I white.

B **F#**

A **E**
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saying mine.

E **G#7** **C#m** **A** **E** **G#7** **C#m** **A**

E **G#7** **C#m7** **A**
Everybody talk about racial equality,

E **G#7** **C#m7** **A**
Yeah, everybody talk about equal rights.

E **B** **C#m7**
But white s white, black s black and that s that.

A **E** **B** **E**

And that s the way you should leave it.

E **G#7** **C#m7** **G#7** **C#m7**
Don't want no Black Messiah to come and set the world on fire.

E **B** **B7**
A Black Messiah is gonna come and rule the world.

E **G#7** **C#m7** **A**
Everybody got to show a little give and take.

E **G#7** **C#m7** **A**
Everybody got to live with a little less hate.

E **B** **C#m7** **A**
Everybody gotta work it out, we gotta sort it out.

A **E**
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saying mine.