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A Soapbox Opera
The Police
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G#maj7 I hear, only what I want to hear C#maj7 But, I have to believe in something Have to believe in just one thing G# Cm I said Father Washington, you re all mixed up C# Fm Collecting sinners in an old tin cup G# Well, spare a listen for a restless fool C# Fm There s something missing when I need your rules Fm G#maj7 Well hey there, You tell me you re a holy man C#maj7 But, although I m just a beginner I don t see you as a winner G# CmI said, Sister Robinson, you re all washed up C# Fm Collecting teardrops in a paper cup G# Cm If I could tell you what you need to know C# Fm If I could help you to get on with the show (G#maj7 Cm7/5- C#/G C# Cm) BbmG# CmReverend Ebenezer, there s a storm in my head Cm7/5-C#/G Eb13 Makes me hear what you said, just was it true? Eb7 Eb13 So, what have I to do? Eb7 Eb13 Well, what has he to do? E F# G# Oh, what is there to do? E F# G# E F# oh oh

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Mary, oh tell me what I m living for
   C#maj7
Cause I feel like I m tossed in the river
Have you a son to deliver
                       G#
I said, Father Washington, you re all mixed up
                 C#
                        Fm
Collecting sinners in an old tin cup
                    G#
                            Cm
You tell the children what they need to know
                      C#
                             Fm
But will they listen when it s time to go
 Eb
                  G#
                          Cm
Oh, Sister Robinson, you re all wound up
F#
                 C#
                       Fm
Collecting teardrops in a paper cup
                 G#
                       Cm
Can someone tell me what I need to know
F#
               C#
                        Fm
Can someone help me to get on with the show
(E+FmDm7/5-)
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G#maj7

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