

**A Soapbox Opera**  
**The Police**

**F#m** **Amaj7**  
I hear, only what I want to hear  
**Dmaj7**  
But, I have to believe in something  
**Bm**  
Have to believe in just one thing  
**E** **A** **C#m**  
I said Father Washington, you re all mixed up  
**G** **D** **F#m**  
Collecting sinners in an old tin cup  
**E** **A** **C#m**  
Well, spare a listen for a restless fool  
**G** **D** **F#m**  
There s something missing when I need your rules

**F#m** **Amaj7**  
Well hey there, You tell me you re a holy man  
**Dmaj7**  
But, although I m just a beginner  
**Bm**  
I don t see you as a winner  
**E** **A** **C#m**  
I said, Sister Robinson, you re all washed up  
**G** **D** **F#m**  
Collecting teardrops in a paper cup  
**E** **A** **C#m**  
If I could tell you what you need to know  
**G** **D** **F#m**  
If I could help you to get on with the show

( **Amaj7** **C#m7/5-** **D/G** **D** **C#m** )

**Bm** **A** **C#m**  
Reverend Ebenezer, there s a storm in my head  
**C#m7/5-** **D/G** **E13**  
Makes me hear what you said, just was it true?  
**E7** **E13**  
So, what have I to do?  
**E7** **E13**  
Well, what has he to do?  
**E7** **F** **G** **A**  
Oh, what is there to do?  
**F G** **A** **F G**  
Oh oh oh

( **F** **G** **F** **G** **A** )

**F#m** **Ama j7**

Mary, oh tell me what I m living for

**Dmaj7**

Cause I feel like I m tossed in the river

**Bm**

Have you a son to deliver

**E** **A** **C#m**

I said, Father Washington, you re all mixed up

**G** **D** **F#m**

Collecting sinners in an old tin cup

**E** **A** **C#m**

You tell the children what they need to know

**G** **D** **F#m**

But will they listen when it s time to go

**E** **A** **C#m**

Oh, Sister Robinson, you re all wound up

**G** **D** **F#m**

Collecting teardrops in a paper cup

**E** **A** **C#m**

Can someone tell me what I need to know

**G** **D** **F#m**

Can someone help me to get on with the show

( **F+** **F#m** **Ebm7/5-** )