

Dirt In The Ground

Tom Waits

DIRT IN THE GROUND (Tom Waits) [tab by AL#13]
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capo on 1st

Verse 1:

Em C Em
What does it matter, a dream of love

C
Or a dream of lies

D G
We re all gonna be the same place

B7
When we die

Em C
Your spirit don t leave knowing

Em C
Your face or your name

D
And the wind through your bones

G B7
Is all that remains

Em C D Em
And we re all gonna be...

(4 times)

Em (sung only)

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Verse 2:

Em C
The quill from a buzzard

Em C
The blood writes the word

D G
I want to know am I the sky

B7
or the bird

Em C
Cause hell is boiling over

Em C
And heaven is full

D
We re chained to the world

G B7
And we all gotta pull

Em **C D Em**

And we re all gonna be...

(4 times)

Em

...Just dirt in the ground

Verse 3:

Em **C**

Now the killer was smiling

Em **C**

With nerves made of stone

D

He climbed the stairs

G **B7**

And the gallows groaned

Em **C**

And the people s hearts were pounding

Em **C**

They were throbbing, they were red

D

As he swung out over the crowd

G **B7**

I heard the hangman said

Em **C D Em**

We re all gonna be...

(4 times)

Em

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Verse 4:

Em **C**

Now Cain slew Able

Em **C**

He killed him with a stone

D

The sky cracked open

G **B7**

And the thunder groaned

Em **C**

Along a river of flesh

Em **C**

Can these dry bones live?

D

Ask a king or a beggar

G **B7**

And the answer they ll give

Em **C D Em**

Is we re all gonna be...

(4 times)

Em

We re all gonna be just