

Peace Song Singalong (gpaine@comcast.net)

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Blowin in the Wind Bob Dylan 1963 (Capo 5 G,C,D,Em)

How many roads must a man walk down ... before you call him a man?
 How many seas must a white dove sail ... before she sleeps in the sand?
 Yes and how many times must the cannonballs fly ... before they're forever banned?
The answer my friend, is blowin' in the wind ...the answer is blowin' in the wind.
 How many years can a mountain exist ... before it is washed to the sea?
 How many years can some people exist ... before they're allowed to be free?
 Yes and how many times can a man turn his head ... and pretend that he just doesn't see?

Chorus

How many times must a man look up ... before he can see the sky?
 How many ears must one man have ... before he can hear people cry?
 Yes and how many deaths will it take til he knows ... that too many people have died?

Chorus

Down by the Riverside American Spiritual 1800s (G C D7)

I'm gonna lay down my sword and shield ... down by the riverside (3)
 I'm gonna lay down my sword and shield ... down by the riverside ... gonna study war no more.
I ain't gonna study war no more ... ain't gonna study war no more ... I ain't gonna study war no more.
 I'm gonna meet my Lord Jesus ... *(chorus twice)*
 I'm gonna lay down my burden ... *(chorus thrice)*

Imagine John Lennon 1971 +5 (C Cmaj7 F Am Dm7 G C/G G7 E7)

Imagine there's no heaven ... it's easy if you try
 No hell below us ... above us only sky
 Imagine all the people ... living for today, aah-aah-ah~
 Imagine there's no countries ... it isn't hard to do
 Nothing to kill or die for ... and no religion too
 Imagine all the people ... living life in peace, you-hoo-oo~

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*You may say I'm a dreamer ... but I'm not the only one
I hope someday you'll join us ... and the world will be as one*
Imagine no possessions ... I wonder if you can
No need for greed nor hunger ... no one with empty hand.
Imagine all the people ... sharing all the world, you-hoo-oo~
*You may say I'm a dreamer ... but I'm not the only one
I hope someday you'll join us ... and the world will live as one*

Let it Be Paul McCartney 1970 (up 7 G, D, Em, C)

When I find myself in times of trouble, Mother Mary comes to me,
Speaking words of wisdom, let it be.

And in my hour of darkness, she is standing right in front of me,
Speaking words of wisdom, let it be.

Let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be. Speaking words of wisdom, let it be.

And when the broken hearted people, living in the world agree,
There will be an answer, let it be.

For though they may be parted, there is still a chance that they will see,
There will be an answer, let it be.

Let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be. There will be an answer, let it be.

And when the night is cloudy, there is still a light that shines on me,
Shine until tomorrow, let it be.

I wake up to the sound of music, Mother Mary comes to me,
Whisp'ring words of wisdom, let it be.

Let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be. Whisp'ring words of wisdom, let it be.

*Make me brave, make me strong, Let me help the world along, I will be an answer, let it be.
Let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be. There will be an answer, let it be.*

One Man's Hands Pete Seeger 1962 (Up 3 G D C Em)

One man's **hands** can't tear a prison down ... two men's hands can't tear a prison down.

But if two and two and fifty make a million ... we'll see the day come round, we'll see that day come round.

Just my **voice** can't shout to make them hear ... just your voice can't shout to make them hear.

Chorus

Just my **heart** can't fill this world with love ... just your heart can't fill this world with love.

Chorus

Just my **eyes** can't see the road ahead ... but my vote might change the road ahead.

Chorus

One woman's **faith** can't build a bridge of peace ... two women's faith can't build a bridge of peace.

Chorus

Just my **song** might change this world today ... Just my song might change our world today.

Chorus

One Tin Soldier Dennis Lambert 1960s (up 2 C G Am F Em)

Listen children to a story that was written long ago

Bout a kingdom on a mountain, and the valley folk below

On the mountain was a treasure buried deep beneath a stone

And the valley people swore they'd have it for their very own.

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*Go ahead and hate your neighbor, go ahead and cheat a friend
Do it in the name of heaven, you can justify it in the end
There won't be any trumpets blowing, come the judgment day
On the bloody morning after - one tin soldier rides away.*

So the people of the valley sent a message up the hill
Asking for the buried treasure, tons of gold for which they'd kill
Came an answer from the kingdom: "With our brothers we will share
All the secrets of our mountain, all the riches buried there."

Chorus

Then the valley shook with anger, mount your horses, draw your sword,
And they killed the mountain people, so they won their just reward
Now they stood beside the treasure on the mountain dark and red
Turned the stone and looked beneath it ... **Peace on Earth** was all it said.

Chorus

Peace Call Woody Guthrie 1950s (Up 7 G C D7)

*Reaction to the Cold War with the Russians in 1950s (Woody never performed or recorded this song)
It was lost to the world, until Eliza Gilkyson found and recorded it in 2004.*

Open your hearts to the paradise, to the peace of the heavenly angels,
Take away that woeful shadow, dancing on your wall.
Take to the skies of peace, my friends, of the peace of the one great spirit,
Get ready for my bugle call of peace.

*Peace, peace, peace, I can hear the bugle sounding,
Roamin' round my land, my city and my town.
Peace, peace, peace, I can hear the voices ringing,
Louder while my bugle calls for peace.*

Thick war clouds will throw their shadows, darkening the world around you,
But in my life of peace, your dark illusions fall.
Think and pray along the way, embrace the ones around you,
Get ready for my bugle call of peace.

Chorus

If these war storms fill your heart, with a thousand kinds of worry,
Keep to the road of peace, you'll never have to fear.
Keep in the sun and look around, in the face of peace and plenty,
Get ready for my bugle call of peace.

Chorus

I clear my house of the weeds of fear, and turn to the friends around me,
With my smile of peace, I greet you one and all.
I'll work, I'll play, I'll dance and sing, of the peace of the youthful spirit,
Get ready for my bugle call of peace.

Chorus

Peace Carol Bob Beers 1975 Waltz (G, Am, D, Em)

There's a great you-tube of John Denver singing this song with the Muppets

The garment of life, be it tattered and torn ... the cloak of the soldier is weathered and worn
What child is this who was poverty-born ... the peace of Christmas Day.

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The branch that bears the bright holly ... the dove that rests in yonder tree

The light that shines for all to see ... the peace of Christmas Day.

The hope that has slumbered for 2,000 years ... the promise that silenced a thousand fears

A faith that can hobble an ocean of tears ... the peace of Christmas Day.

Chorus

Add all the grief that people may bear ... total the strife, the troubles and care

Put them- in columns and leave them there ... for peace will come one day.

Chorus twice (That Peace will come one day ... yes, Peace must come Today)

Peace Medley (up 5 ... G, C, Em, D, Am, F, Bm) Conglomerated by Gary Paine 2009 Last Updated: 6/15/12

1) Last night I had the strangest dream, I never dreamed before

I dreamed the world had all agreed to put an end to war.

2) So, let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be ... there will be an answer, let it be.

3) And the answer my friend, is blowin' in the wind ... the answer is blowin' in the wind.

4) When will we ever learn ... when will we ever learn?

5) Peace, peace, peace, I can hear the bugle sounding ... rovin' round my land, my city and my town,

Peace, peace, peace, I can hear the voices ringing ... louder while my bugle calls for peace.

6) Peace, salaam, shalom ... peace, salaam, shalom.

7) Darlin', deep in my heart, I do believe ... we shall live in peace one day.

8) And all we are saying ... is give peace a chance.

Simple Song of Freedom Bobby Darin 1966 (Capo 5 G, D, C)

Come and sing a simple song of freedom ... Sing it like you've never sung before,

Let it fill the air, tell the people everywhere ... We, the people here, don't want a war.

Hey there, Mister Black Man, can you hear me? ... I don't want your diamonds or your game.

I just want to be, someone known to you as me ... and I will bet my life you want the same.

Chorus

Seven hundred million are you listening? ... most of what you read is made of lies,

Speaking one to one ain't it everybody's sun? ... to wake to in the morning when we rise?

Chorus

No doubt some folks enjoy doing battle ... like presidents, prime ministers, and kings

So let us build them shelves, that they might fight among themselves ... and leave us people be who wanna sing.

Chorus

Come and sing a simple song of freedom ... sing it like you've never sung before,

Speaking one to one, ain't it everybody's sun ... to wake to in the morning when we rise?

Stone by Stone 1990 John McCutcheon (+2 G D C)

About the Czech Uprising (velvet revolution) in Prague in November, December 1989

Several hundred thousand demonstrators marched in Prague and helped change Czechoslovakia from a communist country to a parliamentary republic (without bloodshed).

I am just a plumber ... and I take pride in my job.

I know every inch of piping ... underneath the streets of Prague.

Now overhead I hear the tread ... one hundred thousand strong,

Like the water's will, they cannot still ... this pow'r that moves us on.

One by one ... side by side,

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We will stand and face the fire ... there's no turning back this tide.

Stone by stone ... day by day,

We will make the great walls crumble ... and the borders fade away.

And I am just a mother ... two children six and four,

And I grew up in the shadow ... of the wall and of the war.

From our mothers to our daughters ... we'll pass this torch one day.

We praise the names who fan the flames ... and in one voice we say.

Chorus

And I am just a student ... and like students everywhere,

We dreamed great dreams together ... as we gathered in the square.

Though your tanks might break our bodies ... we'll one day break these chains.

The streets of blood, like freedom's flood ... now surges through our veins.

Chorus

Now I hear the distant thunder ... that rages o'er the sea.

And I watch in awe and wonder ... what's this got to do with me?

As we hear the cries for freedom rise ... from cities far and near,

From great to least, in west and east ... we join your voices here.

Chorus (twice)

The Strangest Dream Ed McCurdy 1950 (Up 3 G, C, D7, G7)

Last night I had the strangest dream ... I never dreamed before.

I dreamed the world had all agreed ... to put an end to war.

I dreamed I saw a mighty room ... full of women and full of men

And the papers they were signin' said ... they'd never fight again.

And when the papers all were signed ... and a million copies made,

They all joined hands and bowed their heads ... and grateful prayers were prayed.

And the people in the streets below ... were dancing round and round,

And guns and swords and uniforms ... were scattered on the ground.

Last night I had the strangest dream ... I never dreamed before.

I dreamed the world had all agreed ... to put an end to war.

Universal Soldier Buffy Sainte Marie 1963 (+3 G,D,Em,C,Am)

Buffy Sainte Marie, Tom Waits (Time), Songs merged by Jim Edmondson, New Verse by Gary Paine

We're five foot two and we're six foot four ... we're fighting with missiles and with spears,

We're all of sixty-four and we're only seventeen ... we've been soldiers for thousands of years.

We're catholic, we're hindu, we're atheist, we're jain, ... we're buddhist & we're baptist and we're jew.

And we know we shouldn't kill & we know we always will ... killing you my friend & me for you.

And it's time, time, time ... and it's time, time, time

And it's time, time... time for love ... yes it's time, time, time.

And we're fighting for Afghanistan, we're fighting for Iraq ... we're fighting for the U S A.

We're fighting for Israel, we're fighting for Islam ... and we think we'll put an end to war this way.

And we're fighting for democracy, we're fighting for the reds ... we say it's for the peace of all,

We're T ones who must decide, who's to live & who's to die ... & we never see the writing on the wall.

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Now the world is full of snarling ... Hawks are circling high above,
It's time to give the sky back to the dove
As Pete Seeger joins Mandela ... and Gandhi and King
Brave men who changed this world with only love.

Chorus

And it's time, time... time for peace ... yes it's time, time, time.

We Shall Overcome C. Albert Tindley 1901 (+5 G C D Em)

We shall overcome, we shall overcome ... we shall overcome some day.
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe ... we shall overcome some day.

1. We shall overcome
2. We'll walk hand in hand ...
3. We shall live in peace...
4. We are not afraid...

Where has Pete Seeger Gone Pete Seeger 1955 (+5 G Em C D) Gary added verse - 2015

Where has Pete Seeger gone ... long time passing?
Where has Pete Seeger gone ... long, long time ago?
Pete, you haven't really gone ... we learned from you to sing along,
Live Brave and sing out strong ... live Peace and carry on.

Crossing the Bar Alfred Tennyson (poem) 1889 Rani Arbo (melody) 1998

*Tennyson was the poet laureate of England under Queen Victoria – he wrote this 3 years before he died.
Tennyson requested that this poem be the final poem in any anthology of his work. (+5 G,C,D,Em)*

Sunset and evening star ... and one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar ... when I put out to sea,
When I put out to sea ... when I put out to sea,
May there be no moaning of the bar ... when I put out to sea.

But such a tide as moving seems asleep ... too full for sound and foam,
When that which drew from out the boundless deep ... turns again home.
Turns again home ... turns again home,
When that which drew from out the boundless deep ... turns again home.

Twilight and evening bell ... and after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell ... When I embark.
When I embark ... when I embark.
May there be no sadness of farewell ... When I embark.

For though from out our bourne of time and place ... the flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my pilot face to face ... when I have crossed the bar.
When I have crossed the bar ... when I have crossed the bar.
I hope to see my pilot face to face ... when I have crossed the bar.