

All Along the Watchtower

Words and music Bob Dylan

Album: John Wesley Harding (1967)

and Greatest Hits II (1971), live versions Before the Flood

Capo 4th fret, sounding key C# minor

Chord progression repeated for each line.

Am G F G Am G F G

"There must be some way out of here," said the joker to the thief,
 "There's too much confusion, I can't get no relief.
 Businessmen, they drink my wine, plowmen dig my earth,
 None of them along the line know what any of it is worth."

"No reason to get excited," the thief, he kindly spoke,
 "There are many here among us who feel that life is but a joke.
 But you and I, we've been through that, and this is not our fate,
 So let us not talk falsely now, the hour is getting late."

All along the watchtower, princes kept the view
 While all the women came and went, barefoot servants, too.
 Outside in the distance a wildcat did growl,
 Two riders were approaching, the wind began to howl.

Or, to put it simply: Am G F G ...