

If Not for You

Words and music Bob Dylan

Album: New Morning (1970), Greatest Hits II (1971)
and Biograph (1985), and in an earlier version (w/George
Harrison) on The Bootleg Series 1-3 (1991)

Intro:

$\left| \begin{array}{c} \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \\ \text{E} \quad \text{B} \quad \text{A} \end{array} \right| \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \left| \begin{array}{c} \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \\ \text{B} \quad \text{E} \end{array} \right| \text{x3}$

$\left| \begin{array}{c} \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \\ \text{G}\#\text{m}' \quad \text{F}\#\text{m}' \end{array} \right| \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \left| \begin{array}{c} \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \\ \text{G}\#\text{m}' \end{array} \right| \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \left| \begin{array}{c} \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \\ \text{F}\#\text{m}' \end{array} \right| \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \left| \begin{array}{c} \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \\ \text{E} \end{array} \right| \text{x2}$ as above

If not for you, $\begin{array}{c} \text{E} \quad \text{B} \quad \text{A} \\ \text{E} \quad \text{B} \quad \text{A} \end{array}$
 Babe, I couldn't find the door, $\begin{array}{c} \text{E} \quad \text{B} \quad \text{A} \\ \text{E} \quad \text{B} \quad \text{A} \end{array}$
 Couldn't even see the floor, $\begin{array}{c} \text{E} \quad \text{B} \quad \text{A} \\ \text{E} \quad \text{B} \quad \text{A} \end{array}$
 I'd be sad and blue, $\begin{array}{c} \text{G}\#\text{m}' \quad \text{F}\#\text{m}' \\ \text{E} \end{array}$
 If not for you.

If not for you,
 Babe, I'd lay awake all night,
 Wait for the mornin' light
 To shine in through,
 But it would not be new,
 If not for you.

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 If not for you
 $\begin{array}{c} \text{E} \\ \text{B} \quad \text{E} \quad \text{E7} \end{array}$
 My sky would fall,
 Rain would gather too.
 $\begin{array}{c} \text{A} \\ \text{F}\# \quad \text{B} \end{array}$
 Without your love I'd be nowhere at all,
 $\begin{array}{c} \text{A} \quad \text{G}\#\text{m}' \quad \text{F}\#\text{m}' \\ \text{A} \quad \text{G}\#\text{m}' \quad \text{F}\#\text{m}' \end{array}$
 I'd be lost if not for you,
 And you know it's true.

$\begin{array}{c} \text{B} \quad \text{A} \quad \text{G}\#\text{m}' \quad \text{F}\#\text{m}' \\ \text{B} \quad \text{A} \quad \text{G}\#\text{m}' \quad \text{F}\#\text{m}' \\ \text{B} \quad \text{A} \quad \text{G}\#\text{m}' \quad \text{F}\#\text{m}' \quad \text{E} \end{array}$

If not for you
 My sky would fall,
 Rain would gather too.
 Without your love I'd be nowhere at all,
 Oh! what would I do
 If not for you.

If not for you,
 Winter would have no spring,
 Couldn't hear the robin sing,
 I just wouldn't have a clue,
 Anyway it wouldn't ring true,
 If not for you.