

The Prisoner  
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INTRO: D G

G C G  
Thankin' you for openin' my eyes so clear  
C G  
Sweepin' old illusions from my soul  
C G  
Most of all for turnin' somethin' simple and sincere  
A7 )D  
Into somethin' jaded and as jive as rock and roll

CHORUS:

)G C G  
Ain't you always looked at lovin' like a four-letter word  
C  
That I made up to make you ill-at ease  
G  
I've fought to free you from your castle of despair  
D G  
'Til I saw the prison wall was me  
C G  
See the soul who calls itself a prisoner  
D G  
'Cause it's still too frightened to be free  
C G  
I feel so much older now and wiser  
D G  
Ain't it sad how lonesome that can be

BREAK: G C G C G C G A7 D

CHORUS

OUTRO: D C G C G