

Humbled in Love
written by Leonard Cohen

Chords:

Cadd9: x32033
G#dim: 456464 or xx0101
Fmaj7: xx3210

Intro: E.. ...|
E.. Am6/e..|E7.. Am/e..|E7.. Am/e..|E.. ...|
E.. Am/e..|E7.. Am/e..|E7.. Am/e..|Cadd9.. ...|
G#7.. ...|G7.. ...|G7.. ...|

G G#dim Am
Do you remember all those pledges
G G#dim Am
That we pledged in the passionate night
C G
Ah, they're soiled now, they're torn at the edges
Cm G#7 G7
Like moths on a stale yellow light

Nor penance serves to renew them,
Nor massive transfusions of trust
Why not even revenge can undo them
Cm G
So twisted these vows and so crushed

Chorus:

A#
And you say you've been humbled in love
F
Cut down in your love
A#
Forced to kneel in the mud
F
Next to me
A#
Ah, but why so bitterly
F
Turn from the one
Am
Who kneels there
Fmaj7 E
As deeply as thee

Children have taken these pledges
They have ferried them out of the past
Oh beyond all the graves and the hedges
Where love must go hiding at last

And here where there is no description
Oh here in the moment at hand
No sinner need rise up forgiven
No victim need limp to the stand

Chorus:

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And look dear heart, look at the virgin
 Look how she welcomes him into her gown
 Yes and mark how the stranger's cold armor
 Dissolves like a star falling down

Why trade this vision for desire
 When you may have them both
 You will never see a man this naked
 I will never hold a woman this close

Chorus:
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The intro can be played like this:

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      E
      | . . . . .
E:--0-----:
B:--0-----:
G:--1-----:
D:--2-----:
A:--2-----:
E:--0-----:

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      E           Am6/e       E7           Am/e
      | . . . . . | . . . . .
E:--0-----2-----4-----5-----:
B:--0-----1-----2-----5-----:
G:--1-----2-----4-----5-----:
D:-----:
A:-----:
E:--0-----0-----0-----0-----:

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      E7           Am/e       E
      | . . . . . | . . . . .
E:--7-----8-----0-----:
B:--5-----5-----0-----:
G:--7-----5-----1-----:
D:-----2-----:
A:-----2-----:
E:--0-----0-----0-----:

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      E           Am/e       E7           Am/e
      | . . . . . | . . . . .
E:--4-----5-----7-----8-----:
B:--5-----5-----5-----5-----:
G:--4-----5-----7-----5-----:
D:-----:
A:-----:
E:--0-----0-----0-----0-----:

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      E           Am/e       Cadd9
      | . . . . . | . . . . .
E:--7-----5-----3-----:
B:--5-----5-----3-----:
G:--7-----5-----0-----:
D:-----2-----:
A:-----3-----:
E:--0-----0-----:

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G#7 **G7**

E: --4-----3-----:

B: --4-----3-----:

G: --5-----4-----:

D: --4-----3-----:

A: --6-----5-----:

E: --4-----3-----: