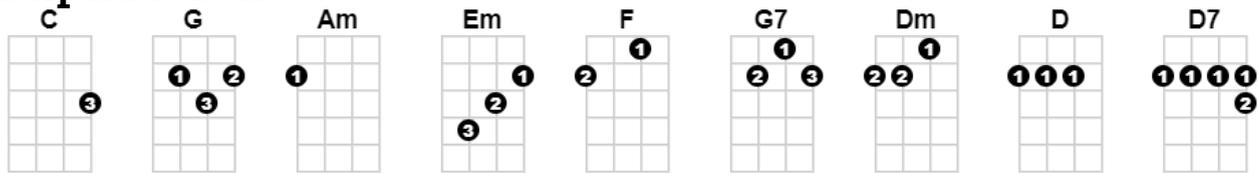


The Streets of London

Ralph McTell



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C G Am Em

Intro: In his eyes you see no pride, and held loosely by his side

F C G7 C

Yesterday's paper telling yesterday's news

C G Am Em

Have you seen the old man in the closed-down market

F C Dm G

Kicking up the paper with his worn out shoes?

C G Am Em

In his eyes you see no pride, and held loosely by his side

F C G7 C

Yesterday's paper telling yesterday's news

F Em C Am

So how can you tell me you're lonely,

D D7 G G7

And say for you that the sun don't shine?

C G Am Em

Let me take you by the hand and lead you through the streets of London

F C G C

I'll show you something to make you change your mind

C G Am Em

Have you seen the old girl who walks the streets of London

F C Dm G

Dirt in her hair and her clothes in rags?

C G Am Em

She's no time for talking, she just keeps right on walking

F C G7 C

Carrying her home in two carrier bags.

F Em C Am

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C **G** **Am** **Em**
In the all night café, at a quarter past eleven,
F **C** **Dm** **G**
Same old man is sitting there on his own
C **G** **Am** **Em**
Looking at the world over the rim of his tea-cup,
F **C** **G7** **C**
each tea last an hour - then he wanders home alone

F **Em** **C** **Am**
So how can you tell me you're lonely,
D **D7** **G** **G7**
And say for you that the sun don't shine?
C **G**
Let me take you by the hand and
Am **Em**
lead you through the streets of London
F **C** **G** **C**
I'll show you something to make you change your mind

C **G** **Am** **Em**
And have you seen the old man, outside the seaman's mission
F **C** **Dm** **G**
Memory fading with the medal ribbons that he wears.
C **G** **Am** **Em**
In our winter city, the rain cries a little pity
F **C** **G7** **C**
For one more forgotten hero and a world that doesn't care

F **Em** **C** **Am**
So how can you tell me you're lonely,
D **D7** **G** **G7**
And say for you that the sun don't shine?
C **G**
Let me take you by the hand and
Am **Em**
lead you through the streets of London
F **C** **G** **C**
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