

Chimes Of Freedom

The Byrds

Intro - G-C-Em-D --- C-Em-D-G-C-G

Far between sundown's finish - An' midnight's broken toll
G C D G C G

We ducked inside the doorway thunder crashing

As majestic bells of bolts - struck shadows in the sounds
G C D G C G

Seeming to be the chimes of freedom flashing

Flashing for the warriors - whose strength is not to fight
D G C G
C Am D

Flashing for the refugees - on the unarmed road of flight
G C G C

An' for each an' ev'ry underdog - soldier in the night
G C D G C G

An' we gazed upon the chimes of freedom flashing

Even though a cloud's white curtain - In a far-off corner flashed
C G C
G C D G C G

An' the hypnotic splatter of mist was slowly lifting

Electric light still struck like arrows - fired but for the ones
C G C
G C D G C G

Condemned to drift - or else be kept from drifting

Tolling for the searching ones, - On their speechless, seeking trail
D G C G
C Am D

For the lonesome-hearted lovers with too personal a tale
G C G C

An' for each unharmed gentle soul - misplaced inside a jail
G C D G C G

An' we gazed upon the chimes of freedom flashing

Break - C - Em- D .. C-Em-D-G-C-G

 C G C
Starry-eyed an' laughing - as I recall when we were caught
 G C D G C G
Trapped by no track of hours for they hanged suspended
 C G C
As we listened one last time - an' we watched with one last look
 G C D G C G
Spellbound an' swallowed - 'til the tolling ended

D G C G
Tolling for the aching ones - whose wounds cannot be nursed
 C Am D
For the countless confused, accused, misused, strung-out ones an' worse
 G C G C
An' for every hung-up person - in the whole wide universe
 G C D G C G
An' we gazed upon the chimes of freedom flashing

C-Em-D ... C-Em-D-G-C-G