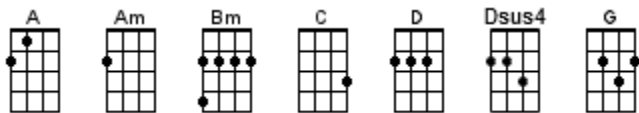


# Signs

Les Emmerson 1970 – as recorded by Five Man Electrical Band, an Ottawa band



**INTRO:** / 1 2 / 1 2 /

[D] ↓ ↓ / [Dsus4] ↓ [D] ↑ ↓ / [Dsus4] ↓ [D] ↑ ↓ / [Dsus4] ↓ [D] ↑ ↓

And the [Am] sign said [G] "Long-haired freaky people [D] need not ap-[G]ply"  
So [D] I tucked my hair up [A] under my hat, and I [G] went in to ask him [A] why  
[Bm] He said "You look like a fine, upstandin' young [G] man, I think you'll do"  
So I [D] took off my hat, I said "I-[A]magine that  
Huh! [G] Me workin' for [A] you", whoa-oh-oh

## CHORUS:

[D] ↓ Sign [D] ↓ sign [C] everywhere a [G] sign  
[D] Blockin' out the scenery [G] breakin' my mind  
[D] Do this, don't do [A] that, can't you read the [C] sign? [C]

[D] ↓ ↓ / [Dsus4] ↓ [D] ↑ ↓ / [Dsus4] ↓ [D] ↑ ↓ / [Dsus4] ↓ [D] ↑ ↓

And the [C] sign said anybody [G] caught trespassin' [D] would be shot on [G] sight  
So I [D] jumped on the fence and I [A] yelled at the house, "Hey!  
[G] What gives you the [A] right?  
To [Bm] put up a fence to keep me out, or to [G] keep mother nature in  
If [D] God was here, he'd [A] tell you to your face  
[G] Man, you're some kind of [A] sinner"

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## BRIDGE:

Now [A] hey you mister, can't you read?  
You [G] got to have a shirt and [D] tie to get a seat  
You [D] can't even watch, no [A] you can't eat  
[G] You ain't supposed to [D] ↓ be ↓ here [Dsus4] ↓ [D] ↑ ↓ / [Dsus4] ↓ [D] ↑ ↓ / [D] ↓ ↓

The [C] ↓ sign said you [G] ↓ got to have a membership [D] ↓ card to get in-[G] ↓ side, ugh

## INSTRUMENTAL CHORUS:

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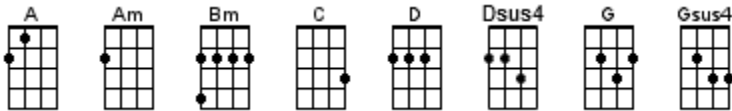
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And the [C] sign said [G] "Everybody welcome, come [D] in, kneel down and [G] pray"  
But then they [D] passed around the plate, at the [A] end of it all  
I [G] didn't have a penny to [A] pay  
So I [Bm] got me a pen and paper, and I [G] made up my own little sign  
I said [D] "Thank you, Lord, for [A] thinkin' 'bout me  
I'm a-[G]live and doin' [A] fine, wooo!

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