

Mothers and Fathers Lyrics/Chords

Writer: Bobby Noble

Album: *naked*

A few notes:

This lyrics/chords chart is to give you a *basic idea* of the words and harmonic outline. There's a lot going on in the studio recording that is not expressed below. There are bass riffs, passing tones, different chord voicings, etc in this song that are great but aren't necessarily critical to your interpretation.

Hey sooooo there's a lot of crazy chord voicings and whatnot going on in here...I'll make a video showing exactly how I play it- otherwise do your own thang :D <3

If you're using this chart for my *naked cover contest* remember to spice it up with your own take on things (rhythm, harmony, melody, phrasing, etc)- **there are no rules limiting your creativity** :D <3

Instrumental Intro:

DMAJ7 EMAJ7 :||

Verse 1:

DMAJ7

EMAJ7

43 years ago...Marvin told the world, there's no need to escalate

F#m7

Esus4 E

Words I've sung so many times, I thought they might sink in.

CMAJ7

DMAJ7

E

But just one hateful word still sets me off.

CMAJ7

DMAJ7

E

I start fighting and crying or lying cuz I'm trying to get back in turn.

CMAJ7

Asus2 CMAJ7

A5

My only excuse can be, Marvin ain't here...for me!

Chorus 1:

F#m11 G#m7#5 Aadd2 Badd4 F#m11 G#m7#5 Aadd2
With Mothers and Fathers doing their best, I don't think the children are always
Badd4
blameless.

F#m11 G#m7#5 Aadd2 Badd4 F#m11 G#m7#5 Am9
My mother my Father chose sacrificing rest, we fight when will I let go?

Verse 2:

DMAJ7 EMAJ7
A man is just a man until his heart can house another...
DMAJ7 EMAJ7
To feed a child's need is what it means to be a father.
CMAJ7 Asus2
Kids stand up to father time, but in the end we lose.
CMAJ7 A
Teach us to fight sitting down alive through peaceful tunes.

Chorus 2:

F#m11 G#m#5 Aadd2 Badd4
My Mother my Father they're doing their best
F#m11 G#m#5 Aadd2 Badd4
I'll never be the one to say that I'm...blameless.
F#m11 G#m#5 Aadd2 Badd4 F#m11 G#m#5 Am9
My mother my Father chose sacrificing rest, we fight when will I let go?

Instrumental Interlude:

Am7

Bridge:

DMAJ13 EMAJ7 (slide back and forth)

Bm11 DMAJ13 EMAJ7 (back and forth)

I'm asking you,

Bm11 DMAJ13 EMAJ7 (back and forth)

help me see the way through.

Bm11 DMAJ 13 EMAJ7 (back and forth) Bm11

I'm asking you...

Chorus 3:

F#m11 G#m#5 Aadd2 Badd4

Your Mother your Father chose sacrificing rest

F#m11 G#m#5 Aadd2 Badd4

You've always got the right to get your feelings off your chest.

F#m11 G#m#5 Am9

You can fight it, we can always let go...