

Emperor's Song

Capo on 1st fret

G

(Bow down, bow down)

G C D
(Bow down)

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(Bow down)

G
What would you do if it all broke up?

So what would you do if the doors were shut
C D
And the pearls are being eaten by the swine?

G
So what would you do if the worms don't turn?

There's nothing left, nowhere to run
C D
And it's looking slightly bleaker every day

G
Do you follow your heart? Do you follow the drum?

Do you follow the flag? Do you shoulder the gun?
C D
Do you slow march off the edge with head held high?

C
Do you go down gently and without a fight?
D

Do you take it on the chin and beg for more?
C

When the sword is raised and the trumpet calls
D G
You bow down, you bow down, you bow down to the Emperor's song
C D
Bow down to the Emperor's song (bow down)

G
So did you believe in the post-war dream?

Do you hate dealing with machines?
C D
And one's picking up your prayers off the phone

G
You followed advice and you followed the work

You followed the rules and you gave it your lot
C D

But a younger man's just taken on your job
C

We've all got long term contracts with the man upstairs
D
But who's picking up the options on our souls?
C
When it's one life firm and the deal is up
D
You bow down, you bow down, you bow down to the Emperor's song

C
And we all bow down to the Emperor's song
D
And we all bow down to the Emperor's song
C
And we all bow down to the Emperor's song
D
We bow down, we bow down, we bow down, we all bow down

Em C Bm C D

G C D G C D
(Bow down) (Bow down)

G
What do you do when it's all too much?
You're out of luck and out of touch
C D
And you can't relate to anything they say
G
So what you do when it gets too tough
You want to say that enough's enough
C D
You want to walk away and just throw in the towel
G
Do you go with the grain, do you go with the tide?
Do you go with the crowd, do you go for the ride?
C D
Do you hang on in until the bitter end?

C
There's a bandwagon leaving but it's not for me
D
Well, I've swallowed all the hooks and want no more
C
But when the lights are dimmed and the curtain calls
D
You bow down, you bow down, you bow down

C
And we all bow down to the Emperor's song
D
And we all bow down to the Emperor's song
C
And we all bow down to the Emperor's song
D
You bow down, you bow down, you bow down

C
And we all bow down to the Emperor's song

D
And we all bow down to the Emperor's song

C
And we all bow down to the Emperor's song

D
Well, you bow down, you bow down, you bow down

C
(And we all bow down to the) All bow down to the Emperor's song

D
(And we all bow down to the) All bow down to the Emperor's song

C
(And we all bow down to) Should we all bow to the Emperor's song?

D
You bow down, you bow down, you bow down

C
(And we all bow down to the) All bow down to the Emperor's song

D
(And we all bow down to the) Do we all bow down to the Emperor's song?

C
(And we all bow) Tell me, do we all bow down to the Emperor's song?

D
You bow down, you bow down, you bow down

G C D
Well, we all bow down

G C D G
Should we bow down to the Emperor's song?