# **Hold On (Keep Your Eyes on the Prize)**

w. Guy Carawan and Alice Wine m. Trad. (Keep Your Hand on the Plow)





### Verse 1:

[Am] Paul and Silas bound in jail Had no [G] money to go their [Am] bail Keep your eyes [G] on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

#### Verse 2:

[Am] Paul and Silas thought they were lost Dungeon [G] shook and the chains fell [Am] off Keep your eyes [G] on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

# Chorus:

Hold [G] on, hold [Am] on Keep your eyes [G] on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am]

### Verse 3:

[Am] The only thing that we did was wrong Was staying' in the [G] wilderness too [Am] long Keep your eyes [G] on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

#### Verse 4:

[Am] The only thing we did was right Was the [G] day we begun to [Am] fight Keep your eyes [G] on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

# Chorus:

Hold [G] on, hold [Am] on Keep your eyes [G] on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

#### Verse 5:

[Am] Freedom's name is mighty sweet
One day [G] soon we're gonna [Am] meet
Keep your [G] eyes on the [Am] prize
[G] Hold [Am] on

### Verse 6:

[Am] Got my hand on the gospel plow Won't take [G] nothing for my journey [Am] now Keep your [G] eyes on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

#### Chorus:

Hold [G] on, hold [Am] on Keep your eyes [G] on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

#### Instrumental verse & chorus:

[Am] The only chain that a man can stand Is that [G] chain of hand on [Am] hand Keep your [G] eyes on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

Hold [G] on, hold [Am] on Keep your eyes [G] on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

### Verse 7:

[Am] The only chain that a man can stand Is that [G] chain of hand on [Am] hand Keep your [G] eyes on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

### Verse 8:

[Am] We're gonna board that big Greyhound, Carryin' [G] love from town to [Am] town. Keep your [G] eyes on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

### Chorus:

Hold [G] on, hold [Am] on Keep your eyes [G] on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

# Verse 9:

[Am] We're gonna ride for civil rights, We're gonna [G] ride both black and [Am] white. Keep your [G] eyes on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

#### Verse 10:

[Am] We've met jail and violence too, But God's [G] love has seen us [Am] through. Keep your [G] eyes on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

### Chorus:

Hold [G] on, hold [Am] on Keep your eyes [G] on the [Am] prize [G] Hold [Am] on

Instrumental tag, last 2 lines Chorus:

[Am] Keep your eyes [G] on the [Am] prize
[G] Hold [Am] on