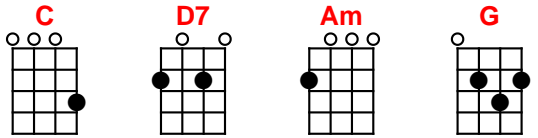


Song of the Dead

Herman Nelson (¾ time)



Instrumental, Verse 1, Last 2 lines :

It [C] took all to-[D7] -gether to [C] give human [Am] life,
The beat of the drum and the [G] song, song, song, song of the [Am] life.

Verse 1:

Speak of [Am] land and of air and of [G] sea and of [Am] flame,
All of them different, [G] although the [Am] same.
It [C] took all to- [D7] -gether to [C] give human [Am] life.
The beat of the drum and the [G] song, song, song, song of the [Am] life.

Chant 1:

[Am] Manifesting one and all, the mighty gnomes did grow.

Instrumental, Verse 1, Last 2 lines :

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Verse 2 :

From a [Am] flame brightly burning, air [G] passes un- [Am] -seen.
Dark waters coaxing the [G] earth to grow [Am] green.
A [C] new day a- [D7] -dawning, an [C] old cedar [Am] dies,
The natural calling for [G] fools, fools, fools, fools and for [Am] wise.

Chant 2:

[Am] Why the seasons keep a-changing, rearranging every plan,

Instrumental, Verse:

It [C] took all to-[D7] -gether to [C] give human [Am] life,
Speak of [Am] land and of air and of [G] sea and of [Am] flame,
All of them different, [G] although the [Am] same.
It [C] took all to-[D7] -gether to [C] give human [Am] life,
The beat of the drum and the [G] song, song, song, song of the [Am] life.

Verse 3:

There's a [Am] lamp ever shining, 'though [G] darkness ap-[Am] pears.
To cover life's portals, re- [G] - linquish your [Am] fears;
Death [C] but leads us [D7] homeward, from [C] whence we were [Am] born,
No reason for trembling, no [G] re-, re-, re-, reason to [Am] mourn.

Chant 3:

[Am] Then the Dark Lord covers us and welcomes us back home.