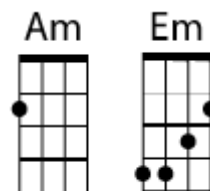


Brother My Cup Is Empty

Nick Cave



Em	Em	Em	Em
Brother, my cup is empty and I haven't got a penny			
Am	Am	Em	Em
For to buy no more whiskey I have to go home			

<Repeat chorus>

Em	Em	Em	Em
I am the captain of my pain 'tis the bit, the bridle, and the thrashing cane			
Am	Am		
The stirrup, the harness, and the whipping mane			
Em	Em		
The pickled eye and the shrinking brain			
Em	Em	Em	Em
Brother, buy me one more drink, I'll explain the nature of my pain			
Am	Am	Em	Em
Yes, let me tell you once again I am the captain of my pain			

<Chorus>

Em	I cannot blame it all on her, to blame her all would be a lie
Am – Em	For many a night I lay awake and wished that I could watch her die
Em	To see her accusing finger spurt, to see flies swarm her hateful eye
Am – Em	To watch her groaning in the dirt, to see her clicking tongue crack dry
Em	Oh, brother, buy me one more drink, one more drink and then goodbye
Am – Em	And do not mock me when I say, "Let's drink one more before I die."

<Chorus>

Em	I've been sliding down on rainbows, I've been swinging from the stars
Am – Em	Now this wretch in beggar's clothing bangs his cup across the bars
Em	Look, this cup of mine is empty! Seems I've misplaced my desires
Am – Em	Seems I'm sweeping up the ashes of all my former fires
Em	So brother, be a brother and fill this tiny cup of mine
Am – Em	And please, sir, make it whiskey I have no head for wine

<Chorus 2 times>

Em	I counted up my blessings and I counted only one
Am – Em	One tiny little blessing and now that blessing's gone
Em	So buy me one more drink, my brother, then I'm taking to the road
Am – Em	Yes, I'm taking to the rain, and I'm taking to the snow
Em	O my friend, my only brother do not let the party grieve
Am – Em	So throw a dollar on the bar now kiss my ass and leave

<Chorus 2 times>