

# Eve of Destruction – Barry McGuire (1965)

Intro: **D** - *Dsus4-Dsus2-* (x4) du du -u du

The **[D]**Eastern world - **[G - ]**it is ex**[A7 - ]**plodin'  
**[D]**Violence flarin' - **[G - ]**bullets **[A7 - ]**loadin'  
You're **[D]**old enough to kill - **[G - ]** but not for **[A7 - ]**votin'  
You **[D]**don't believe in war - but **[G - ]**what's that gun you're **[A7 - ]**totin'?  
And **[D]**even the Jordan River has - **[G - ]** bodies **[A7 - ]**floatin'. But you ..

<b>D</b>	<b>G -</b>	<b>A7 -</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>Bm</b>
- Tell me ...	over and	over and	over again	my friend
<b>G</b>	<b>A7</b>	<b>D -</b>	<i>Dsus4-Dsus2-</i>	
Ah, you don't believe we're on the Eve of Destruction				
<b>D -</b>	<i>Dsus4-Dsus2-</i>	<b>G</b>	<b>A</b>	

## Chorus

**[D]**Don't you understand what I'm - **[G - ]** tryin' to **[A7 - ]** say?  
**[D]**Can't you feel the fears I'm **[G - ]** feelin' to **[A7 - ]** day?  
If the **[D]**button is pushed there's **[G - ]**no running a **[A7 - ]**way  
There'll be **[D]**no one to save .. with the **[G - ]** world in a **[A7 - ]** grave  
Take a **[D]**look around u boy, it's **[G - ]**bound to scare u **[A7 - ]** boy. And you..

## Chorus +

**D -** *Dsus4-Dsus2-* **D -** *Dsus4-Dsus2-*

Yeah my **[D]**blood's so mad, feels **[G - ]** like coagu**[A7 - ]**latin'  
**[D]**I'm sittin' here just **[G - ]** contem**[A7 - ]**platin'  
**[D]**I can't twist the truth, it **[G - ]** knows no regu**[A7 - ]**lation  
**[D]**Handful of Senators don't **[G - ]** pass legis**[A7 - ]**lation  
And **[D]**Marches alone can't **[G - ]**bring inte**[A7 - ]**gration  
When **[D]**human respect is **[G - ]** disinte**[A7 - ]**gratin'  
This **[D]** whole crazy world is **[G - ]** just too frust**[A7 - ]**ratin'. And you ...

## Chorus +

**D -** *Dsus4-Dsus2-* **D -** *Dsus4-Dsus2-*

**[D]**Think of all the hate there **[G - ]**is in Red **[A7 - ]**China  
Then **[D]**take a look around to **[G - ]**Selma Ala**[A7 - ]**bama  
And **[D]**you may leave here for **[G - ]**four days in **[A7 - ]**space  
But **[D]**when you return it's the **[G - ]**same old **[A7 - ]**place  
The **[D]**pounding of the drums, the **[G - ]**pride and dis**[A7 - ]**grace  
You can **[D]**bury your dead, but **[G - ]**don't leave a **[A7 - ]**trace  
Hate your **[D]**next door neighbour, but **[G - ]**don't forget to **[A7 - ]**say grace

And **[D]** - tell me **[G - ]**over and **[A7 - ]**over and **[D]**over and over  
a**[Bm]**gain my friend  
You **[G]**don't believe we're **[A7]**on the Eve of De**[D]**struction **[ - ]**No, No, you  
**[G]**don't believe we're **[A7]**on the Eve of De**[D - ]**struction *Dsus4-Dsus2-*  
**D -** *Dsus4-Dsus2-* **D -** *Dsus4-Dsus2-* **D**{stop}

## Chords

