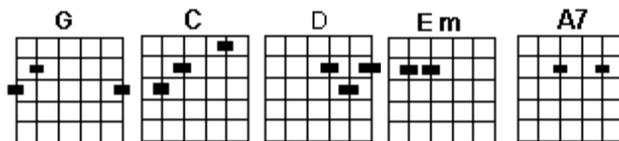


The Winner

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This song is recorded in the key of F#. In order to match the recorded pitch, detune 1/2 step down (D# G# C# F# A# D#) and play it with these chords out of the key of G. (hint -- the 'lighter' sound that Noel gets when he plays many of the 'D' chords is achieved by strumming ONLY the 5th, 4th and 3rd strings)



INTRO -- G C G D

VERSE I

Oh, there's ^G one thing that brings us ^C to-gether
And there's ^G one thing that'll tear us ^D a-part
And you get ^C to choose the one or the ^G other
There's no ^D room for both in your ^{Em} heart
There's no ^{A7} room ^D

VERSE II:

Some people say ^G life has no ^C purpose
And it doesn't ^G matter if you do good or ^D bad
Well don't you be-^Clieve them, their greed has de-^Gceived them
This can be the ^D best life you ever ^{Em} had
This can be the ^{A7} best life ^D

CHORUS:

And there's ^C one thing that brings us ^G to-gether
And there's ^C one thing that'll tear us ^D a-part
And you get ^C to choose the one or the ^G other
And invite the ^D Winner into your ^{Em} heart
Invite the ^{A7} Winner ^D

VERSE III:

Some people take a word and they a-buse it
Hang it on a billboard, oh, how they use it
If you get a message, you might re-fuse it
Oh, but if you get the meaning you never lose it
If you get the meaning

CHORUS:

And there's one thing that brings us to-gether
And there's one thing that'll tear us a-part
And you get to choose the one or the other
And invite the Winner into your heart
Invite the Winner

OUTRO -- C G D C G