CAPO: 3rd FRET

INTRO:

**C** **G** **Dm** **Am**

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VERSE:

**Am** **C** **G** **Dm**

Simple as my mama said when I was very young

**Am** **C**

She told me not to worry, son

**G** **Dm**

One day you'll be someone

**Am** **C**

But here I am at twenty one

**G** **Dm**

As loaded as a stagecoach shotgun

**Am**

I'm sorry mamma

**C** **G** **Dm** **Dm** **Dm** **Dm**

Please don't look at me

VERSE:

**Am** **C**

Yeah, when I got to Oklahoma, I was seventeen

**G** **Dm**

My papa taught me how to work, and Lord, he was mean

**Am** **C**

Workin' all day in that August heat

**G**

And he taught me how to fish

**Dm** **Dm** **Dm** **Dm**

My uncle taught me how to drink

VERSE:

**Am** **C**

Well, I went California and I had me a band

**G** **Dm**

And we played in all the bars in all the Southern lands

**Am** **C**

We played all night and we drank for free

**G** **Dm** **Dm** **Dm** **Dm**

All of my boys and me

CHORUS:

**Am** **C** **G** **Dm**

Now I'm 23 and therе ain't nobody who can drink like me

**Am** **C** **G** **Dm**

Soon I'll be 24, and thе Lord knows that I can't drink no more

**Am** **C**

I know I shoulda taken it slow

**G** **Dm** **Am** **C**

It's not the way that my life goes

**G** **Dm** **Dm** **Dm** **Dm**

Now I know

**Am** **C** **G**

When you're passed out on the floor

**Dm** **Am** **C** **G** **Dm** **Dm** **Dm** **Dm**

You're sober by 24

VERSE:

**Am** **C**

Well, I had a girl who loved me the whole damn time

**G** **Dm**

And I'd drink my whiskey and she'd drink wine

**Am** **C** **G** **Dm** **Dm** **Dm** **Dm**

But soon, my bottle was too much to company

**Am** **C**

Yeah, we'd sit on the river and we'd fish all day

**G** **Dm**

And we'd drive across the country, let the radio play

**Am** **C** **G** **Dm** **F**

Seven damn years, I never thought she'd leave

**F** **Em** **Dm** **C**

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Lord, I know

**Am** **C** **G**

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