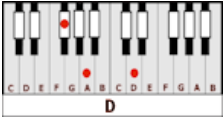


THE HEART OF THE MATTER – Don Henley (D)

GUITAR / KEYBOARD CHORDS:

D = xxo232



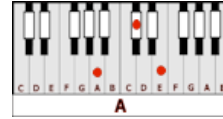
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Dsus4 = xxo233



A = xo222o



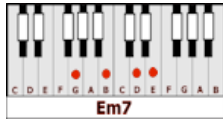
G = 32ooo3



Asus4 = xo223o



Em7 = o2oooo



D/F# = xx4232



Bm = xx4432



C = x32o1o



G/B = x2ooo3



Am7 = xo2o1o



INTRO: D D Dsus2 D Dsus2 Dsus4 X4

D I got the call today .. **A** I didn't wanna hear .. but I knew that it would come
D An old true friend of ours was talkin' on the phone .. she said you found someone
Asus4 And I thought of all the bad luck .. and the struggles we went through
G And how I lost me .. and you lost you
Asus4 What are these voices .. outside love's open door
G Make us throw off our contentment .. **Asus4** and beg for something more **A**

D **Em7** **D/F#** **G**
CHORUS: I'm learning to live without you now .. but I miss you sometimes
D **Bm**
The more I know .. the less I understand
G **Asus4** **A**
All the things I thought I knew .. I'm learning again
D **Em7**
I've been trying to get down .. to the heart of the matter
D/F# **G**
But my will gets weak .. and my thoughts seem to scatter
D **Bm**
But I think it's about .. forgiveness .. forgiveness
G **Asus4** **A** **D**
Even if .. even if .. you don't love me anymore

INTERLUDE: D D Dsus2 D Dsus2 Dsus4 X2

Ah, these times are so uncertain .. there's a yearning undefined .. and people filled with rage
We all need a little tenderness .. how can love survive .. in such a graceless age
Ah, the trust and self-assurance .. that lead to happiness
They're the very things .. we kill, I guess
Ah, pride and competition .. cannot fill these empty arms
And the work I put between us .. you know it doesn't keep me warm

CHORUS: I'm learning to live without you now .. but I miss you baby
The more I know .. the less I understand
All the things I thought I figured out .. I have to learn again
I've been trying to get down .. to the heart of the matter
But everything changes .. and my friends seem to scatter
But I think it's about .. forgiveness .. forgiveness
Even if .. even if .. you don't love me anymore

BRIDGE: There are people in your life .. who've come and gone
They let you down .. you know they hurt your pride
You better put it all behind you, baby .. 'cause life goes on
You keep carrying that anger .. it'll eat you up inside, baby

CHORUS: I've been trying to get down .. to the heart of the matter
But my will gets weak .. and my thoughts seem to scatter
But I think it's about .. forgiveness .. forgiveness
Even if .. even if .. you don't love me

D **Em7**
 I've been trying to get down .. to the heart of the matter
D/F# **G**
 Because the flesh will get weak .. and the ashes will scatter
D **Bm**
 So, I'm thinking about .. forgiveness .. forgiveness
G **Asus4** **A**
 Even if .. even if .. you don't love me

OUTRO: **D** **Em7** **D/F#** **G** **D** **Bm** *(begin fade out)*
 (forgiveness) (forgiveness) Baby (forgiveness) (forgiveness)
G **Asus4** **A** **D**
 Even if .. you don't love me anymore