

I Am Willing

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[Capo 2]

[Intro]

C Am G C

[Chorus in C]:

C **G** **C**
I am open and I am willing, for to be hopeless would seem so strange.
C **Am** **G** **C**
It dishonors those who go before us, so lift me up to the light of change.

[Verse 1]:

C **G** **C**
There is hurting in my family. There is sorrow in my town.
C **Am** **G** **C**
There is panic all across the nation. There is wailing the whole world 'round. But...

[Chorus in C, followed by A7 to change key]

[Verse 2]:

A7 **D** **A** **D**
May the children see more clearly. May the elders be more wise.
D **Bm** **A** **D**
May the winds of change caress us, even though they burn our eyes.

[Chorus in D]:

D **A** **D**
But I am open and I am willing, for to be hopeless would seem so strange.
D **Bm** **A** **D**
It dishonors those who go before us, so lift me up to the light of change.

[Verse 3]:

D **A** **D**
Give me a mighty oak to hold my confusion. Give me a desert to hold my fears.
(mighty) *(hold me).* *(ooh)*
D **Bm** **A** **D**
Give me a sunset to hold my wonder. Give me an ocean to hold my tears.

[Last Chorus in D]:

D **A** **D**
For I am open and I am willing, for to be hopeless would seem so strange.
D **Bm** **A (retard)** **G** **D**
It dishonors those who go before us, so lift me up to the light of change.

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