

## Ripple (Robert Hunter / Jerry Garcia)

### Intro: Instrumental verse

**C** **F**  
 If my words did glow with the gold of sunshine  
**C**  
 And my tunes were played on the harp unstrung  
  
 Would you hear my voice come through the  
**F**  
 music?  
**C** **G** **F** **C**  
 Would you hold it near, as it were your own?

**C** **F**  
 It's a hand-me-down, the thoughts are broken  
**C**  
 Perhaps - they're better left un-sung  
**F**  
 I don't know, don't really ca-re  
**C** **G** **F** **C**  
 Let - there be songs to fill the air

### Chorus:

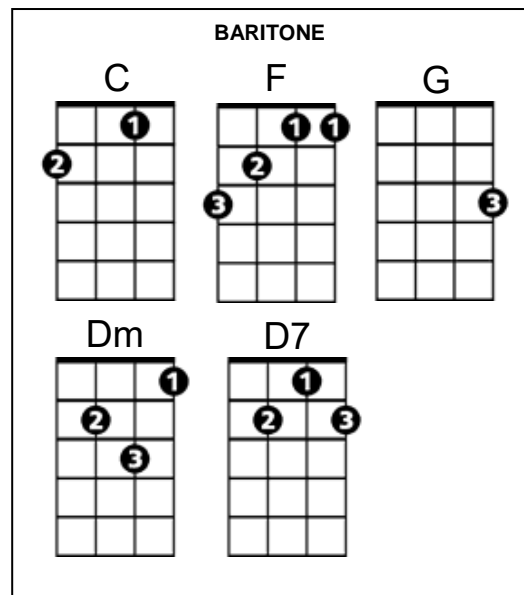
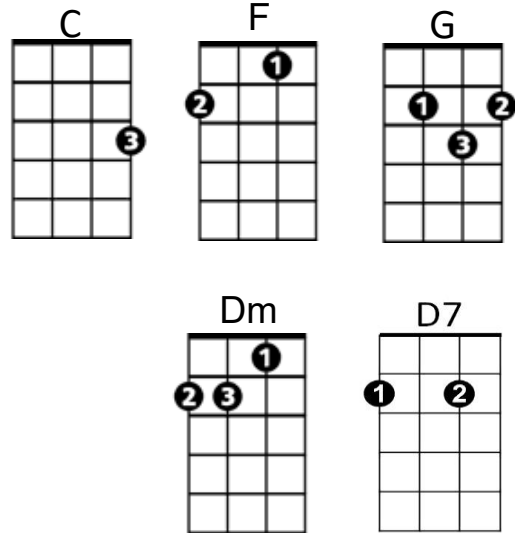
**Dm** **G**  
 Ri - pple in still water  
**C** **F**  
 When there is no pebble tossed  
**D7** **G**  
 Nor wind to blow

**C** **F**  
 Reach out your hand - if your cup be empty  
**C**  
 If your cup is full may it be again  
**F**  
 Let it be known, there is a fountain  
**C** **G** **F** **C**  
 That was not made by the hands of man  
  
**C** **F**  
 There is a road, no simple highway  
**C**  
 Between - the dawn and the dark of night  
**F**  
 And if you go, no one may follow  
**C** **G** **F** **C**  
 That path is for your steps alone

### (Chorus)

**C** **F**  
 You who choose - to lead must follow  
**C**  
 But if - you fall, you fall alone  
  
**F**  
 If you should stand, then who's to guide you?  
**C** **G** **F** **C**  
 If I knew the way, I would take you home

### Instrumental verse (sing "la-la-la" along)



**Ripple (Robert Hunter / Jerry Garcia) Key G**

**Intro: Instrumental verse**

**G** **C**  
 If my words did glow with the gold of sunshine  
**G**  
 And my tunes were played on the harp unstrung  
  
 Would you hear my voice come through the  
**C**  
 music?  
**G** **D** **C** **G**  
 Would you hold it near, as it were your own?

**G** **C**  
 It's a hand-me-down, the thoughts are broken  
**G**  
 Perhaps - they're better left un-sung  
**C**  
 I don't know, don't really ca-re  
**G** **D** **C** **G**  
 Let - there be songs to fill the air

**Chorus:**

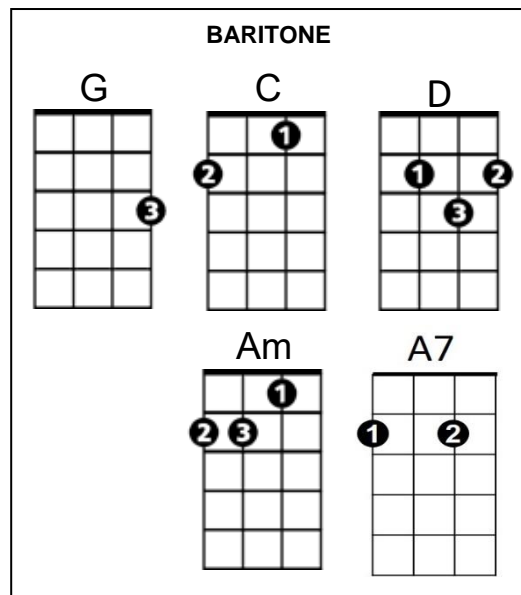
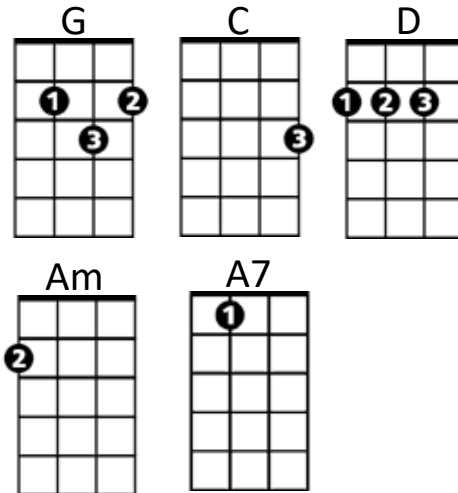
**Am** **D**  
 Ri - pple in still water  
**G** **C**  
 When there is no pebble tossed  
**A7** **D**  
 Nor wind to blow

**G** **C**  
 Reach out your hand - if your cup be empty  
**G**  
 If your cup is full may it be again  
**C**  
 Let it be known, there is a fountain  
**G** **D** **C** **G**  
 That was not made by the hands of man  
  
**G** **C**  
 There is a road, no simple highway  
**G**  
 Between - the dawn and the dark of night  
**C**  
 And if you go, no one may follow  
**G** **D** **C** **G**  
 That path is for your steps alone

**(Chorus)**

**G** **C**  
 You who choose - to lead must follow  
**G**  
 But if - you fall, you fall alone  
  
**C**  
 If you should stand, then who's to guide you?  
**G** **D** **C** **G**  
 If I knew the way, I would take you home

**Instrumental verse (sing "la-la-la" along)**



**Ripple (Robert Hunter / Jerry Garcia) Key D**

**Intro: Instrumental verse**

D
G  
 If my words did glow with the gold of sunshine  
D  
 And my tunes were played on the harp unstrung

D
G  
 You who choose - to lead must follow  
D  
 But if - you fall, you fall alone

Would you hear my voice come through the  
**G**  
 music?

G  
 If you should stand, then who's to guide you?  
**D**
A
G
D  
 If I knew the way, I would take you home

**D**
A
G
D  
 Would you hold it near, as it were your own?

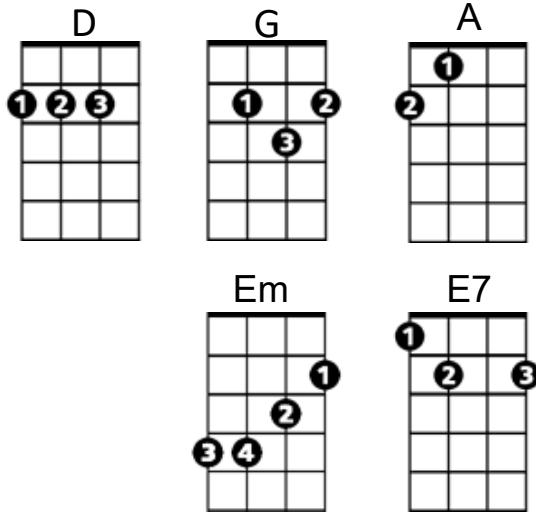
**Instrumental verse (sing "la-la-la" along)**

**D**
G  
 It's a hand-me-down, the thoughts are broken

D  
 Perhaps - they're better left un-sung

G  
 I don't know, don't really ca-re

**D**
A
G
D  
 Let - there be songs to fill the air



**Chorus:**

**Em**
A  
 Ri - pple in still water  
D
G  
 When there is no pebble tossed  
**E7**
A  
 Nor wind to blow

D
G  
 Reach out your hand - if your cup be empty

D  
 If your cup is full may it be again

G  
 Let it be known, there is a fountain

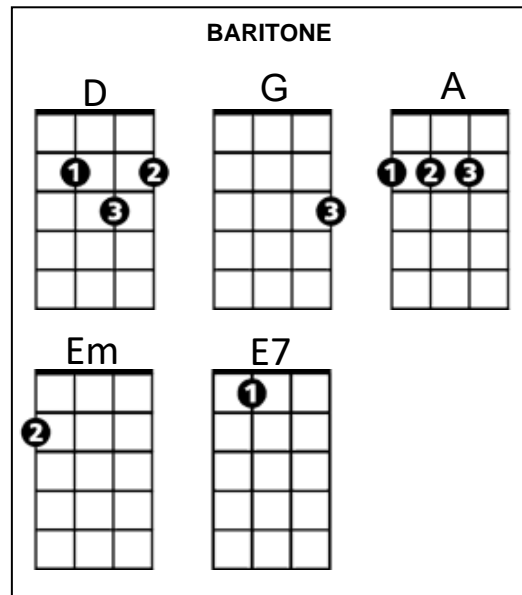
**D**
A
G
D  
 That was not made by the hands of man

D
G  
 There is a road, no simple highway

D  
 Between - the dawn and the dark of night

G  
 And if you go, no one may follow

**D**
A
G
D  
 That path is for your steps alone



**(Ghorus)**