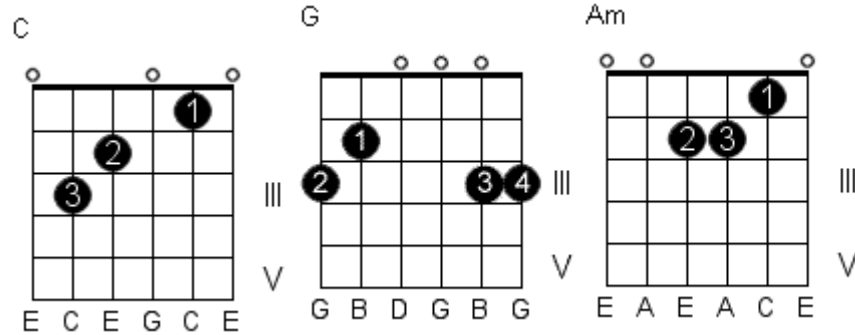


Simple Man – Lynyrd Skynyrd



Strumming Pattern: Special!

The main riff theme, meaning the C is: DDD, DD, U, UUU

As seen here: (the D's and U's indicate the picking pattern)

E ----- 0(U)---0(U)---0(U)-----
 B ----- 1(U)---1(U)---1(U)---1(U)-----
 G ----- 0(D)-----
 D ----- 2(D)-----
 A ---0(D)---2(D)---3(D)-----
 E -----

The rest of the strumming theme is: DDD, UU, DU (over and over)

Riff:

This riff appears at the beginning of every verse as the C chord:

E ----- 0-0-0-----
 B ----- 1---1--1--1-----
 G ----- 0-----
 D ----- 2-----
 A ---0---2---3-----
 E -----

Verse:

C (riff) G Am
 Mama told me when I was young
 C (riff) G Am
 Come sit beside me, my only son
 C (riff) G Am
 And listen closely to what I say

C (riff) G Am
And if you do this it'll help you some sunny day

(repeat verse progression without singing)

Verse:

C (riff) G Am
Oh, take your time don't live too fast
C (riff) G Am
Troubles will come and they will pass
C (riff) G Am
Go find a woman you'll find love
C (riff) G Am
And don't forget son there is someone up above

Chorus:

C G Am
And be a simp-----le kind of man
C G Am
Be some-----thing you love and understand
C G Am
Baby be a simp---le kind of man
C G Am
Oh, won't you do this for me son if you can?

(repeat verse progression without singing)

Verse:

C (riff) G Am
Forget your lust for the rich man's gold
C (riff) G Am
All that you need is in your soul
C (riff) G Am
And you can do this, oh baby, if you try
C (riff) G Am
All that I want for you my son is to be satisfied

Chorus:

 C G Am
And be a simp-----le kind of man
 C G Am
Be some-----thing you love and understand
 C G Am
Baby be a simp---le kind of man
 C G Am
Oh, won't you do this for me son if you can?

(repeat verse progression without singing)

Verse:

C (riff) G Am
Boy, don't you worry you'll find yourself
C (riff) G Am
Follow your heart and nothing else
C (riff) G Am
And you can do this, oh baby, if you try
C (riff) G Am
All that I want for you my son is to be satisfied

Chorus (repeat as desired):

 C G Am
And be a simp-----le kind of man
 C G Am
Be some-----thing you love and understand
 C G Am
Baby be a simp---le kind of man
 C G Am
Oh, won't you do this for me son if you can?