

ELEMENTS OF DISASTER

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Am7 **Fmaj7** **Am7**
We are bonded together in our separate ways,
 Fmaj7 **G6** **Am7**
Fearing the nighttime and dreading the days.
 D7/9 **Fm6** **Am7**
Four for life in a balance that was perfectly round.
 Fmaj7 **G6** **Am7**
Now we're squaring the circle and discover we've found

(Chorus)

Am7 **Fmaj7**
We're elements of disaster,
G6 **Am7**
Earth, air, water, and fire.
 Dm7
Answering questions we asked there,
G **E7**
Wondering if we're the liars.
Am7 **Fmaj7**
We're elements of disaster,
G6 **Am7**
Earth, fire, water, and air.
 Fmaj7
Living a life we once mastered,
E7 **Am7**
Wondering if we still care.

Air feeds the fire for water to quench.
Earth isn't playing - he's asleep on the bench.
Fire flashes water - we're enveloped in steam.
And no one's left standing to take a shot for the team.

(Chorus)

When we're lying together, earth and water make mud.
One morass of emotions that's much thicker than blood.
Fire bakes out water, cracking earth into clay.
Now air's a tornado and the dust storm's away.

(Chorus)

(Bridge)

Fmaj7 **Am7**
Fire, air, water, earth, feelings that were given birth.
Fmaj7 **Am7**
Earth, air, fire, and water, bound together for the altar.
Fmaj7 **Am7**
Air, earth, water, fire, emotions that are burning higher.
Fmaj7 **E7**
Earth, fire, water, air, no one's left to care.

(Repeat First Verse, Chorus)

In his fine comic book, Astro City, Kurt Busiek once briefly showed a group of villains called the Elements of Disaster. The elements here are far different than his group, but equally disastrous.