

# WE CAN CHANGE THE WORLD

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**E G C**  
We can change the world.  
**D A**  
We can build a new tomorrow.  
**E G C**  
We can change the world,  
**D A**  
Working with the time we borrowed.  
**C D**  
Teaching lessons we're still learning  
**Am7 D**  
Out there where the fires are burning,  
**E G A**  
We can change the world.

**E G A**  
Forty years of war,  
**C D**  
Of Conelrad and sirens blaring.  
**E G A**  
If the missiles soar,  
**C D**  
Just duck and cover, no despairing.  
**C D**  
Fingers on the button  
**Bm Am**  
Waiting for the call.  
**C D**  
Praying it was nothing  
**Bm**  
So the fire won't take us all.  
**Am7/G**  
But I saw an empire crumble  
**C/G**  
And I saw an empire fall  
**D/G G/D Dm C D**  
And I watched the Germans dance upon the wall.

What does time demand  
Of a superpower, the last man standing?  
Fortunate, the land  
In liberty set free, expanding.  
Lessons for all seasons.  
Lessons learned in war.  
Searching for the reasons  
And hoping that there's more.  
And I'm praying now for justice.  
And I pray we fight for right.  
And I pray that we can drive away the night.

Look across the lands  
That still rise up to kill the stranger.  
Wait for the demands  
In a world that's still there filled with danger.  
Tyrants taking power.

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Madmen in control  
Waiting for the hour  
When they can burn away our soul.  
But I see a billion people  
And they look a lot like me  
And I need to find a way to set them free.

Is freedom just a word  
That's good for me but not for others?  
Have you never heard  
Of tolerance and love for brothers?  
Listen to the music  
We've heard through all our years,  
Of peace and love and freedom  
And put away your fears  
'Cause I know we're less than perfect,  
But it's up to you and me  
To try to teach the world how to be free.

(Chorus twice)

**E**        **G**        **A**  
We can change the world.  
**E**        **G**        **A**  
We can change the world.

*I spent some time trying to write this, working with various melodies on the guitar. No luck. Then the chorus came to me while driving to work as I beat out the rhythm on the steering wheel of my car.*

*The song didn't belong to the guitar. It belonged to a drum.*