

Viva la vida

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Intro 1

Strings only!

| Db | Db/Eb | Ab | Fm7 | x2

Verse 1

I used to rule the world
Seas would rise when
I gave the word, now in the
morning I sleep alone
Sweep the streets I used to own

Kick IN!

| Db | Db/Eb | Ab | Fm7 | x2

Intro 1

Verse 2

I used to roll the dice
Feel the fear in
my enemy's eyes listen as
the crowd would sing
"Now the old king is dead! Long live the king!"
One minute I held the key
Next the walls were closed on me
And I discovered that my castles stand
Upon pillars of salt and pillars of sand

| Db | Db/Eb | Ab | Fm7 | x4

Band IN!

Chorus 1

I hear Jerusalem bells a ringing
Roman Cavalry choirs are singing
Be my mirror, my sword and shield
My missionaries in a foreign field
For some reason I can't explain
Once you go there was never
Never an honest word
And that was when I ruled the world

Db	Db/Eb	Ab	Fm7
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Db	Db/Eb	Cm7	Fm7
Db	Db/Eb	Ab	Fm7

Intro

Verse 3

It was the wicked and wild wind
Blew down the doors to let me in
Shattered windows and the sound of drums
People couldn't believe what I'd become
Revolutionaries wait
For my head on a silver plate
Just a puppet on a lonely string
Oh who would ever want to be king?

| Db | Db/Eb | Ab | Fm7 | x4

Chorus 2

I hear Jerusalem bells a ringing
 Roman Cavalry choirs are singing
 Be my mirror, my sword and shield
 My missionaries in a foreign field
 For some reason I can't explain
 I know Saint Peter won't call my name
 Never an honest word
 But that was when I ruled the world

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Strings only!

Intro 2

Db sus2	Fm7	Db sus2	Fm7	Db sus2	Fm7	Db/Eb	/
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Band IN! (with oohs)

Chorus 3

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Db	Eb	Cm7	Fm7

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Outro

Dbmaj7	Db/Eb	Cm7	Fm7	Oohs only!
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Repeat till fade