

I Got Dem Ol' Kozmic Blues Again, Mama!

Words & Music:
Janis Joplin

Am Am/G Am/F# Am/F [2x]

Am Dm Am Am/G Am/F# Am/F
Time keeps movin' on, friends they turn away.

F G F G
I keep movin' on, but I never found out why.

Am [*stop chords on the beat until the E7*]

I keep pushing so hard the dream, I keep tryin' to make it right,

E7 Am Am/G Am/F# Am/F
Through another lonely day, whoa-oh.

Dawn has come at last.

Twenty-five years, honey just in one night, oh yeah.

Well, I'm twenty-five years older, now.

So, I know we can't be right.

And I'm no better, baby, and I can't help you no more

Than I did when just a girl.

CHORUS:

A Bm
Aww, but it don't make no difference, baby, no, no,

D A
And I know that I could always try.

A Bm
It don't make no difference, baby, yeah.

D [*semi-stop chords - not as hard as verse*]

I better hold it, now, I better need it, yeah,

D C#m Am Am/G Am/F# Am/F
I better use it 'til the day I--- die, whoa.

Don't expect any answers, dear.

For I know that they don't come with age, no, no.

Well, ain't never gonna love you any better, babe.

And I'm never gonna love you right,

So you'd better take it now, right now.

CHORUS: [*8x and out - new words over each time:*]

Oh! But it don't make no difference, babe, hey,
And I know that I could always try.
There's a fire inside everyone of us,
You'd better need it, now, I got to hold it, yeah,
I better use it 'til the day I die.

Don't make no difference, babe, no, no, no.
And it never, ever will. Hey!
I wanna talk about a little bit of loving, yeah,
I got to hold it, baby, I'm gonna need it, now,
I'm gonna use it, say, aaaah!

Don't make no difference, babe, yeah,
Ah, honey, I'd hate to be the one.
I said, you're gonna live your life and you're gonna love your life,
Or babe, someday you're gonna have to cry.
Yes, indeed! Yes, indeed! Yes, indeed! Ah, baby, yes, indeed!

I said, you, you're always gonna hurt me,
I said, you're always gonna let me down,
I said, everywhere, everyday, everyday and every way, every way.
Ah, honey, won't you hold on to what's gonna move?
I said, it's gonna disappear when you turn your back.
I said, you know it ain't gonna be there.
When you wanna reach out and grab on.

Whoa, babe! Whoa, babe! Whoa, babe! Oh, but keep truckin' on.
Whoa, yeah! Whoa, yeah! Whoa, yeah!
Whoa! Whoa! Whoa! Whoa! Whoa!