Layla

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There are countless tabs & transcriptions of both the original and unplugged versions of this song. Two transcriptions of the original are in the Guitar Legends: 100 Greatest Guitar Solos and Guitar World.

Dm  Bb  C  [3x]  A9  C9  [1st vox note=A]
[opening riff = D5  C5  Bb5  C5  D5  C5  Bb5  C5  D5 in 6ths]

C#m7                           G#7
What will you do when you get lonely?
C#m7  C  D  E7  F#m7
With nobody waiting by your side?
F#m7  B  E  A
You've been running and hiding much too long,
F#m7  B7  E
You know it's just your foolish pride.

CHORUS:  [or can use opening riff]
A  Dm  Bb  C                  Dm  Bb  [etc.]
Layla, you got me on my knees.
Layla, I'm begging darling please.
A  Dm  Bb  C                  Dm  Bb  C  (A9  C9)
Layla---, darling, won't you ease my worried mind?

Tried to give you consolation,
Your old man won't let you down.
Like a fool, I fell in love with you,
Turned the whole world upside down.

CHORUS:
Let's make the best of the situation
Before I finally go insane.
Please, don't say we'll never find a way
And tell me all my love’s in vain