Life By The Drop

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This tune was made famous by Stevie Ray Vaughan's posthumous acoustic recording of it on The Sky Is Crying. It is transcribed in the July 2008 issue of Acoustic Guitar.

Intro: [continue shuffle pattern through whole song]

E |-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------
B |-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------
G |-----------------0-----------------0-h2-0-----------------2---2---2---2...
D |---0-1-h2-0-h1-p0---0---2-1-0-h1-0---0---0---2---2h4-4...
A |0-h3--3-3--3-3--3-3-p0---0---0-0---0...
E |-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------

A5                  E5
Hello there, my old friend,
F#m                          D5
Not so long ago it was "'Til the end".
A5                          E5
We played outside in the pouring rain,
F#m                          D5
On our way up the road, we started over again.

CHORUS:
F#m                          D5                          E5
You're livin' our dreams, oh, you on top.
F#m                          D5                          E5
My mind is achin', Lord it won't stop.
F#m                          D5                          E                              A5
That's how it happens, livin' life by the drop.

Up and down that road in our worn-down shoes.
Talkin' 'bout good things and singin' the blues.
You went your way, I stayed behind.
We both knew it was just a matter of time.

CHORUS:

No wasted time, we're alive today.
Churnin' up the past, there's no easier way.
Time's been between us, a means to an end.
God it's good to be here, walkin' together, my friend.

CHORUS:  [repeat last line 3x]