

We Shall Overcome

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The February 2007 issue of Acoustic Guitar has a nice version of this. These chords are the ones I grew up with. The Acoustic Guitar version is in the key of D and drop-D tuning. Master songhound Dan M. gives us the background on this anthem of the Civil Rights movement: "... Pete Seeger, based on "We Shall Not Be Moved," an old spiritual..."

G C G C G
We shall overcome, we shall overcome,
G G/F# Em A7 D7
We shall o--ver--come someday.
 C C/B Am7 G C Bm Am Em
Oh, deep in-- my-- heart, I do-- be-lieve
G C G D G [or: C to G]
We shall overcome someday.

We'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand,
We'll walk hand in hand someday.
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe
We'll walk hand in hand someday.

We shall live in peace, we shall live in peace,
We shall live in peace someday.
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe
We shall live in peace someday.

We shall all be free, we shall all be free,
We shall all be free someday.
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe
We shall all be free someday.

We are not afraid, we are not afraid,
We are not afraid someday.
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe
We are not afraid someday.

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