

BROTHER CAN YOU SPARE A DIME

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Verse:

Cm Fm
They used to tell me I was building a dream,
Cm Fm Bb7
And so I followed the mob
Eb D7
When there was earth to plough or guns to bear
Fdim D7 Fdim G7 G7sus G7
I was always there right there on the job

Cm Fm
They used to tell me I was building a dream
Cm Bb7
With peace and glory a - head, Why should
Eb G7 Cm Fm6 G7 Gaug
I be standing in line Just waiting for bread

Chorus:

Cm G7 C7
Once I built a railroad, made it run,
F Bb7 Eb Cm G7
Made it race against time.
Fm G7 Cm Ab7
Once I built a railroad, Now it's done
Fm6 G7 Cm g...f#...g...bb...a...ab...g...f#
Brother can you spare a dime?

Cm G7 C7
Once I built a tower, to the sun.
F Bb7 Eb Cm G7
Brick and rivet and lime,
Fm G7 Cm Ab7
Once I built a tower, Now it's done,
Fm6 G7 Cm
Brother can you spare a dime?

C7 Edim C7 Edim C7
Once in khaki suits Gee, we looked swell
Edim C7 Edim Bbm6 C7
Full of that Yankee Doodle de dum.
F7 F9 Cm7 F9
Half a million boots went slogging thru Hell,
Cm7 A7 D7 Fdim G7
I was the kid with the drum.

Cm G7 C7
Say don't you remember, they called me Al
F7 Bb7 Eb Cm7 G7
It was Al all the time
Fm G7 Cm Ab7
Say don't you remember I'm your Pal!
Fm6 G7 Cm g...f#...g...bb...a...ab...g...f#
Buddy can you spare a dime?

chorus repeat end with Cm Cm9

chords over the riff:

Cm Bb G7
g...f#...g...bb...a...ab...g...f#