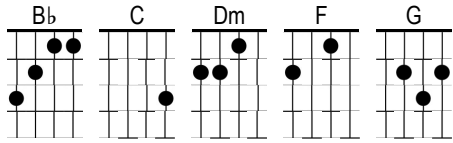


An Innocent Man

Billy Joel



C:d-D F:u-udu x4

C Some people stay far away from the door
If there's a **Dm** chance of it opening up

1/2F They hear a voice in the **G** hall outside
And hope that it just passes **1/2C** by

C Some people live with the fear of a touch
And the **Dm** anger of having been a fool
1/2F They will not listen to **G** anyone
So nobody tells them a **1/2C** lie

1/2Bb I know you're only pro **1/2C** tecting yourself
1/2Bb I know you're thinking of **1/2F** somebody else
G↓ Someone who hurt you but

C I'm not above making up for the love
You've been de **Dm** nying you could ever feel
1/2F I'm not above doing **G** anything
To restore your faith if I **1/2C** can

C Some people see through the eyes of the old
Before they **Dm** ever get a look at the young
1/2F I'm only willing to **G** hear you cry
Because I am an innocent **C:d-D** man **F:u-udu**

C:d-D F:u-udu x3

I **F** am, an innocent | man
Oh, yes I **C** am |

C Some people say they will never believe
Another **Dm** promise they hear in the dark
1/2F Because they only re **G** member too well

They heard somebody tell them be **1/2C** fore
C Some people sleep all alone every night

Instead of **Dm** taking a lover to bed
1/2F Some people find that it's **G** easier to hate
Than to wait any **1/2C** more

1/2Bb I know you don't want to **1/2C** hear what I say
1/2Bb I know you're gonna keep **1/2C** turning away
G↓ But I've been there and if

C I can survive I can keep you alive
I'm not a **Dm** above goin' through it again
1/2F I'm not above bein' **G** cool for a while
If you're cruel to me I'll under **1/2C** stand

C Some people run from a possible fight
Some people **Dm** figure they can never win
1/2F And although this is a **G** fight I can lose
The accused is an innocent **C:d-D** man **F:u-udu**

C:d-D F:u-udu x3

I **F** am, an innocent | man
Oh, yes I **C** am, an innocent | man

Bb↓ You know you only hurt your **C↓** self out of spite
Bb↓ I guess you'd rather be a **F↓** martyr tonight
G↓ nc That's your decision but

C I'm not below anybody I know
If there's a **Dm** chance of resurrecting a love

1/2F I'm not above going **G** back to the start

To find out where the heartache be **1/2C**gan

C Some people hope for a miracle cure

Some people **Dm** just accept the world as it is

1/2F But I'm not willing to **G** lay down and die

Because I am an innocent **C:d-D** man **F:u-udu**

C:d-D F:u-udu *x3*

I **F** am, an innocent | man

Oh, yes I **C** am, an innocent | man, oh, ho-ho, **G↓** hooo

C:d-D F:u-udu *x4*

C↓