

# If Ever I Stray – Frank Turner – V1

**Intro:**  
[G] x4

(quiet)

[G] Forgive me someone, for I have sinned  
And I [Cadd9] know not where I should begin  
And some [D] days it feels like you just can't win  
No [Am] matter what you do or [C] say.  
[G] Things didn't kill me but I don't feel stronger  
[Cadd9] Life is short but it feels much longer  
You've [D] lost that fight, you've lost that hunger  
To [Am] pull yourself through the [C] day.

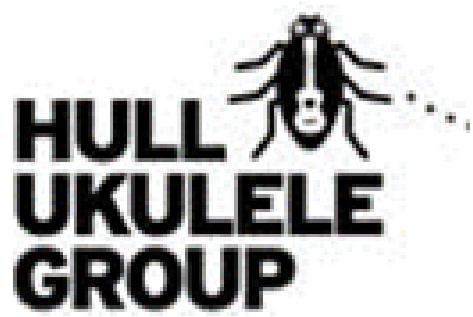
(loud)

## **Chorus:**

But if [G] ever I stray from the path I follow  
[C] Take me down to the English Channel  
[D] Throw me in where the water is shallow  
And then [Am] drag me on back to [C] shore!  
'Cos [G] love is free and life is cheap  
As [C] long as I've got me a place to sleep  
[D] Some clothes on my back and some food to eat  
I [Am] can't ask for anything [C] more

[D] Come on everybody sing it [D///] 1, 2, 3, 4  
[G] x 4

[G] We've all got secrets that we hold inside  
The [Cadd9] worst little things that we try and defy  
The [D] worst one of all that you never can hide  
Is that you're [Am] never quite as strong as you [C] sound  
[G] So I'm sorry baby, for the times I've hurt you  
[Cadd9] Sorry your friends, for the times I desert you  
[D] Most days it feels like I don't deserve you  
No [Am] wonder that you're all still [C] around



(louder)

**Chorus:**

But if **[G]** ever I stray from the path I follow  
**[C]** Take me down to the English Channel  
**[D]** Throw me in where the water is shallow  
And then **[Am]** drag me on back to **[C]** shore!  
'Cos **[G]** love is free and life is cheap  
As **[C]** long as I've got me a place to sleep  
**[D]** Some clothes on my back and some food to eat  
I **[Am]** can't ask for anything **[C]** more

**[D]** Come on everybody sing it **[D///]** 1, 2, 3, 4

**[G]** x 4

**Bridge**

**[G]** Come on and join me in the **[D]** water  
And we'll swim for hope  
Sometimes it's hard to **[G]** remember  
**[G]** I couldn't do this on my own

(loudest)

**Chorus:**

So if **[G]** ever I stray from the path I follow  
**[C]** Take me down to the English Channel  
**[D]** Throw me in where the water is shallow  
And then **[Am]** drag me on back to **[C]** shore!  
'Cos **[G]** love is free and life is cheap  
As **[C]** long as I've got me a place to sleep  
**[D]** Clothes on my back and some food to eat  
I **[Am]** can't ask for anything **[C]** more

**[D]** I won't ask for anything more

(quiet)

**[G]** The path I chose isn't straight and narrow  
**[Cadd9]** It wanders 'round like a drunken fellow  
Some **[D]** days it's hard for me to follow  
But if you've **[Am]** got my back I'll go **[C]** on.  
If **[D/]** you've got my back I'll go on **[G/]**