

# The Living Years

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♩=103 **6** **G** *K/b drop high notes*

Vla.

13 **A** **G** **C** **G**

JB

1. Ev - 'ry gen - er - a - tion\_ blames the one be - fore\_ and all of their frus - tra - tions\_  
 2. Crum - pled bits of pa - per\_\_\_\_\_ filled with im - per - fect thought\_\_\_\_\_ stilt - ed con - ver - sa - tions\_\_\_\_\_

Vla. *f* *2nd time only*

18 **C** **Dm**

JB

— come beat - ing on\_ your door\_ I know that I'm\_ a pris - ner to all my fath - er held so dear, I  
 — I'm a fraid that's all\_ we've got\_ You say you just don't see\_ it, he says its 'per - fect sense, you

Vla.

23 **Am** **F#°** **G** **1.**

JB

know that I'm\_ a hos tage to all his hopes and fears. I just wish\_ I could have told\_ him In the li - ving years\_  
 just can't get\_ a - gree - ment\_ in this pres - ent tense. We all talk\_ a diff - 'rent lang - uage, tal - king in de fence\_

Vla.

29 **B** **G** *All sing* **G** **C** **Am** **D** **G**

JB

Say it loud\_ say it clear\_ You can lis - ten\_ as well as\_ you hear\_ It's too

Vla.

38 **G** **C** **Am** **D** **G**

JB

late\_ when we die\_ to ad - mit we\_ don't see eye to eye\_ 3. So we

Vla.

46 **C** G C G

JB *o - pen up\_ a qua - rel\_ Be - tween the pre - sent and\_ the past We on - ly sa - cri - fice our fut - ure\_*  
*wa - sn't there that mor - ning When my fa - ther passed a - way I di - dn't get\_ to tell\_ him\_*

51 C Dm

JB *It's the bi - tter - ness that lasts So don't yield to\_ the for - tunes, you some - times see\_ as fate. It*  
*All the things I had to say. I think I caught his spi - rit, La - ter that same year. I'm*

Vla.

56 Am F#° G

JB *may have a new per - spect - ive On a diff - rent day. And if you don't\_ give up and don't give in You may just be o - kay\_*  
*sure I\_ heard his ec - ho In my new born tears I just wish\_ I could have told him In the li - ving years\_*

Vla.

61 **D** G C Am G D

JB *Say it, say it, say it loud\_ oh\_ say it clear as well as\_ you*

Ch *Say it loud\_ say it clear\_ You can lis - ten\_ as well as\_ you*

Vla.

68 G G C

JB *hear\_ Be - cause it's too late\_ It's too late\_ When we die\_*

Ch *hear\_ It's too late\_ when we die\_*

Vla.

73 Am D G

JB *we\_ don't see\_ eye to eye\_ 4. I*

Ch *to ad - mit we\_ don't see eye to eye\_*

Vla.