## THE BURDEN OF FREEDOM

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Intro: D Em A D

D Em I STAND ON THE STAIRWAY, MY BACK TO THE DUNGEON Α D THE DOORWAY TO FREEDOM SO CLOSE TO MY HAND Em D Α AND VOICES BEHIND ME STILL BITTERLY DAMN ME Em А D FOR SEEKIN' SALVATION THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND

Chorus:

G Cadd9-G D LORD HELP ME TO SHOULDER THE BURDEN OF FREEDOM Cadd9-G A7 G AND GIVE ME THE COURAGE TO BE WHAT I CAN D Em AND WHEN I AM WOUNDED BY THOSE WHO CONDEMN ME D Α LORD HELP ME FORGIVE THEM, THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND

D Em THEIR LONELY FRUSTRATION DESCENDING TO LAUGHER Α D ERASES THE FOOTPRINTS I LEAVE IN THE SAND Em Α D AND I'M FREE TO TRAVEL WHERE NO ONE CAN FOLLOW Em Α D IN SEARCH OF THE KINGDOM THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND CHORUS: G Cadd9-G D LORD HELP ME TO SHOULDER THE BURDEN OF FREEDOM G Cadd9-G Α7 AND GIVE ME THE COURAGE TO BE WHAT I CAN D Em AND WHEN I HAVE WOUNDED THE LAST ONE WHO LOVED ME Α D GOD HELP HER FORGIVE ME, I DON'T UNDERSTAND

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