

don't look away

©2007 Marie-Emma Graves (ASCAP)

Em D Em Em
Our rescue raft is drifting towards the thunder,

Em D B B
And the fog is swiftly lifting off the bay.

G D C C
And I don't know how we keep from going under...

Em D Em Em
Death is just one gasp of breath away.

Mary had a little baby.
Mammie had a little Lamb.
Born and baptized freed from slavery.
Shorn and slaughtered by our hands.

D D Em Em
His mother showed us where they shot him:

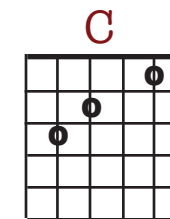
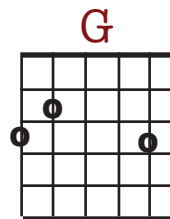
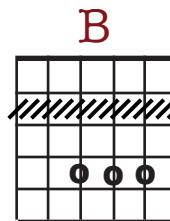
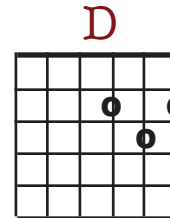
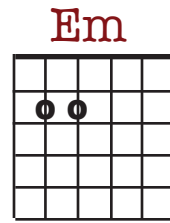
D D Em Em
Bloated broken human hate.

Em D C C
Peer over the open coffin

B B
See yourself in that child's face.

B - A - G - F#
(walk down) Em Em
Don't look away.

	Em				(G)				Em		
e											
B	0										
G	0										
D	2	2					2	2			
A	2			2 ^P	0					2	
E				3						0	
	1	2	3	&	4	1	2				



Verse 2:

Our rescue raft is drifting towards the thunder
And the fog is swiftly lifting off the bay.
And I don't know how we keep from going under...
Death is just one gasp of breath away.

The gentle wind became a roarer;
Wailing now for nearly 50 years.
The rain poured o'er the poorer quarters.
We turned and covered up our ears.

History gets whitewashed by the winners
But, blood is thinly veiled by paint.
Scratch the surface, find the mirror,
And stare the guilty in the face.
Don't look away.

Inst:

Em / D / Em / Em

Em / D / B / B

G / D / C / C

Em / D / Em / Em



Verse 3:

Our rescue raft is drifting towards the thunder
And the fog is swiftly lifting off the bay.
And I don't know how we keep from going under...
Death is just one gasp of breath away.

Come people gather to the river.
Don't look away as history floats by.
Embrace your mother and forgive her...
Open your heart open your eyes.
Don't look away.

Em vamp (6 bars)

tag:

Do you live a life of wonder?
Or do you wonder why you live?
Here, in the light before the thunder,
It's time we best start paddling.