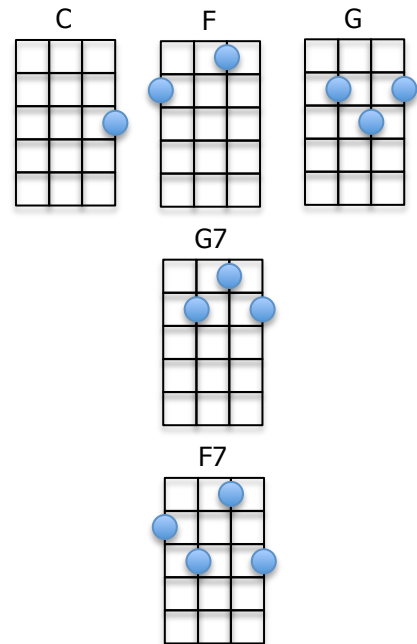


Intro (come after 4-1)

1...2...3...4...1...

[C] Billy-Ray was a preacher's son,
 And when his [F] daddy would visit he'd [C] come along,
 [C] When they gathered round and started talkin',
 [G] Cousin Billy would take me walkin',
 [G] Through the backyard we'd go walkin',
 [G] Then he'd look into my eyes,
 [G] Lord knows, to [G7] my surprise,



The [C] only one who could ever reach me
 [F] Was the son of a [C] preacher man,
 [C] The only boy who could ever teach me,
 [F] Was the son of a [C] preacher man,
 [C] Yes he was, he [G] was,
 [F7] Oh yes he [C] was.

Chorus

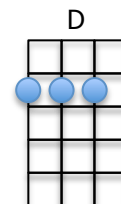
[C] Being good isn't always easy,
 [F] No matter how [C] hard I try,
 [C] When he started sweet-talkin' to me,
 [G] He'd come and tell me everything is alright,
 [G] He'd kiss and tell me everything's alright,
 [G] Can I get aw[G7]ay tonight?

The [C] only one who could ever reach me
 [F] Was the son of a [C] preacher man,
 [C] The only boy who could ever teach me,
 [F] Was the son of a [C] preacher man,
 [C] Yes he was, he [G] was,
 [F7] Oh yes he [C] was.

Chorus

[F] How well I remember
 [C] The look that was in his eyes,
 [C] Stealing kisses from me on the sly,
 [D] Taking time to make time,
 [D] Telling me that he's all mine,
 [G] Learning from each other's knowin',
 [G7] Looking to see how much we're growin'

Bridge



And the [C] only one who could ever reach me
 [F] Was the son of a [C] preacher man,
 [C] The only boy who could ever teach me,
 [F] Was the son of a [C] preacher man,
 [C] Yes he was, he [G] was, [F7] ooh yes he was. [C]

Chorus