

Halfway To Heaven

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CAPO 4

Intro

Am - Am

G - G

Fmaj7/C - Fmaj7/C

Am - Am

Am G
There's no tick tock on your electric clock

Fmaj7 Am
But still your life runs down

Am G
There's no tick tock on your electric clock

Fmaj7 Am
But still your life runs down

C - Dm - Em - Fmaj7/C (2x/s)

Verse

C Dm Em Fmaj7/C
I'm halfway to heaven and my home in Forest Hills

G Am Bb F G
It's half past eleven, I've got some time to kill

C Dm Em Fmaj7/C
I missed bus connection, my train got in too late

G Am Bb Am F
And I'm forced into reflection by this half-hour wait

C Dm Em Fmaj7/C
Now I have been a straight man and I played it by the rules

G Am Bb F G
I've been a good man, a good husband, a good old fashioned fool

C Dm Em Fmaj7/C
I have a fine wife and two children just like everybody's got

G Am Bb Am F
But after fifteen years of marriage, the fires don't burn too hot

F - F - F - F

Chorus

 F C
Ah, someone played a trick on me
Em Am G
They set me up so perfectly
F C
The gave me their morality
 Em Am G
And then changed the rules they set for me

 F C
Someone must be laughing now
Em Am G
Although it don't seem funny somehow
F C
How the world's accepting now
Em Am D7
What they once would not allow back in my younger days.
 G C
The world has changed, in so many ways.

Verse

C Dm Em Fmaj7/C
My mother once said to me, so many years ago now
Em Fmaj7/C
"Don't you touch those bad girls."
Em Fmaj7/C
So I never had girls
Em Fmaj7/C D7
Until I had my Mary when we married

Em Fmaj7/C
My Mary then had my two sons
Em Fmaj7/C
My life as a lover was already done
Em Fmaj7/C
It was over before it
Bb F
Had really begun

F - F - F - F

Chorus

Ah, someone played a trick on me
Just sent this little girl to me
She is my new secretary
And she's something to see

Yes, she's a nice girl
But it's a young world
And she lives her life so free
And she sure gets through to me

C - Fmaj7/C

Bb - Bb

G - G

Verse

She brings a pad into my office
She wears a sweater and a skirt
Somewhere deep inside of me
Something starts to hurt

She's wearing nothing underneath
I can see what there's to see
She smiles and says, "You wanted me?"
I'd have to agree

Chorus

^F You know how much I want her ^C
^{Em} And I know that I could have her ^{Am}
^G Yes I know I could, I know she would ^F ^C ^{Em} ^{Am}
^{D7} Make love to me, so wonderfully ^G
^{Am} God damn!
^{D7} I'm one crazy mixed up mixture of a man ^G ^{Am}

Verse

^C In my head all my life ^{Fmaj7/C}
^C I've been a sinner ^{Fmaj7/C}
^C And in my bed with just my wife ^{Fmaj7/C}
^C I'm still a beginner ^{Fmaj7/C}
^C But tomorrow night ^{Fmaj7/C}
^C I'm taking that little girl ^{D7}
^{Am} Out to dinner! ^{G - Fmaj7/C - Am}

Outro (repeat n times until out or fade)

^{Am} There's no tick tock on your electric clock ^G
^{Fmaj7/C} But still your life runs down ^{Am}
^{Am} There's no tick tock on your electric clock ^G
^{Fmaj7/C} But still your life runs down ^{Am}