



JoniMitchell.com Transcription for Guitar

Come In From The Cold

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DbAbDbFAbD, 'Joni' Tuning: Db75435

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In working out the chords for this transcription, I referred to Mark Domyancich's version (which is in a different tuning). Special thanks to him for the Intro figure.

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Intro:

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555500      Db-----          000000
              Ab-----
              F----3-5-slide-8---
              Db-----
              Ab-----
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1st verse:

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555500
Back in 1957 we had to

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777700
dance a foot

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0 12 12 12 00
apart      And they hawk-eyed us

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11 11 11 10 00
from the

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999800
sidelines holding their

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11 11 11 10 00
rulers without a

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0 12 12 12 00
heart and so with

555500
just a touch of our fingers, oh, we could make our

777700
circuitry ex-

0 12 12 12 00
plode All we

11 11 11 10 00
ever

999800
wanted was just to

777700
come in from the

0 12 12 12 00
cold (come in come in come in) Come in oh come in

11 11 11 10 00
from the

999800
cold (come in come in - we were so young)

11 11 11 10 00
oooooo

0 12 12 12 00
ooooooo Come in (come in come in come in) Come in

11 11 11 10 00
from the

999800
cold

Additional verses:

We really thought we had a purpose
We were so anxious to achieve
We had hope
The world had promise
For a slave to liberty
Freely I slaved away for something better
And I was bought and sold
And all I ever wanted
Was to come in from the cold
Come in
Come in from the cold
Oh come in
Come in from the cold

I feel your leg under the table
Leaning into mine
I feel renewed
I feel disabled
By these bonfires in my spine
I don't know who the arsonist was
Which incendiary soul
But all I ever wanted
Was just to come in from the cold
Come in
Come in from the cold
Oh come in
Come in from the cold

I am not some stone commission
Like a statue in a park
I am flesh and blood and vision
I am howling in the dark
Long blue shadows of the jackals
Are falling on a pay phone by the road
Oh, all they ever wanted
Was to come in from the cold
Come in
Come in from the cold
Oh come in
Come in from the cold

Is this just vulgar electricity
Is this the edifying fire
Does your smile's covert complicity
Debase as it admires
Are you just checking out your mojo
Or am I just fighting off growing old
All I ever wanted
Was just to come in from the cold
Come in
Come in from the cold
Oh come in
Come in from the cold

I know we never will be perfect
Never entirely clear
We get hurt and we just panic
And we strike out
Out of fear
I fear the sentence of this solitude
200 years on hold
Oh and all we ever wanted
Was just to come in from the cold
Come in
Come in from the cold
Oh come in
Come in from the cold

When I thought life had some purpose
Then I thought I had some choice
And I made some value judgments
In a self-important voice
But then absurdity came over me
And I longed to lose control
Oh all I ever wanted
Was just to come in from the cold
Come in
Come in from the cold
Oh come in
Come in from the cold

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