

DOWNTOWN TRAIN... by Tom Waits from 'Rain Dogs' (1985)*

(WAITS tunes his guitars to Eb and capos to 1)

[Intro]

D G (x2), then D (1 measure)

[Verse 1]

D G A D
Outside, another yellow moon,
G A
Has punched a hole in the nighttime, yes.
D G A D
I climb through the window and down to the street,
G A
I'm shining like a new dime.

[Bridge 1]

G Asus4 A
The downtown trains are full,
G Asus4 A
With all of those Brooklyn girls.
G Asus4 A
They try so hard, to break out of their little worlds.

[Verse 2]

Well, you wave your hand and they scatter like crows,
They have nothing that will ever capture your heart.
They're just thorns, without the rose;
D G Asus4
Be careful of them in the dark.

[Bridge 2]

G A G A (Use Asus4/A interchangeably)
Oh, if I was the one, you chose to be your only one.
G A
Oh can't you hear me now? Can't you hear me now?

[Chorus 1]

D G
Will I see you tonight,
D G
On a downtown train?
D G Em A
Every night ...it's just the same; you leave me lonely, now.

D G x2

[Verse 3]

I know your window and I know it's late,
I know your stairs and your doorway.
I walk down your street and past your gate,
I stand by the light at the four-way.

[Bridge 3]

You watch them as they fall,
Oh baby, they all have heart attacks.
They stay at the carnival but they'll never win you back.

[Chorus 2]

D G
Will I see you tonight,
D G
On a downtown train?
D G Em A
Where every night, every night, it's just the same, oh baby...

Will I see you tonight,
On a downtown train?
D G Em A
All of my dreams, they fall like rain, oh baby, on a downtown train.

[Interlude]

D A D A D G A
D A D A D G A A

[Chorus 3]

Will I see you tonight,
On a downtown train?
Where every night, every night, it's just the same, oh baby...

Will I see you tonight,
On a downtown train?
All of my dreams, they fall like rain, all on a downtown train.

[Coda]

(D) G A D G A D
All on a downtown train, all on a downtown train.
G A D G A D
All on a downtown train, a downtown train.

(Repeat to Fade)