Back in the City
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D D/C D/B G
So much had happened in those days
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So much had happened so fast
D D/C D/B G
Before our eyes our hope was killed
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Anticipation passed

D D/C D/B G
So we were walking to Emmaus
D D/C D/B G
Trying to make sense of it all
D D/C D/B G
Before our eyes a man appeared
D D/C D/B G
And he joined with us as we talked

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He said, "What things have happened to
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sadden you so?"
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And he must have been the only one for
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miles who didn't know
C G C G
That back in the city, Jesus of Nazareth
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died

He was a prophet, a man of God
The power he commanded was great
We'd hoped he was the one who would redeem Israel
But he was crucified by our hate

And what's more? It's been three days now
Friends of ours went to his grave
Before their eyes, angels appeared
Singing, "Jesus lives! Death is his slave"
The stranger said, "Foolish of you to believe prophet stories
Did not Christ die then rise to glory?
I tell you, back in the city, Jesus of Nazareth won"

When we reached Emmaus he moved to go on
But we begged him to stay 'cause his words were so strong
And then at the table when he broke the bread
Our eyes were opened- Christ was not dead
There in the village, Jesus of Nazareth lived

Struck by wonder, we had no choice
It was back to Jerusalem that night
With joy in our hearts we told our tale
Christ is alive - the women were right
There in the city, Jesus of Nazareth won

Here in this moment, Jesus of Nazareth lives
Now and forever, Jesus of Nazareth lives

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