

Viva La Vida. 2008. Coldplay. Chris Martin, William Champion, Guy Berryman and Jon Buckland.

The chords on the left margin (or pair) are 3 ½ beats, the others are 4 ½ beats.

Therefore try strumming pattern per pair: | d d d du | u u d d |

Change to the second chord in the pair on 1st u. ie before the end of the 4th beat

4/4 time 139 b/m. 1 2 3 4

[C5] [D7sus4] [G] [Em] [C5] [D7sus4] [G] [Em] _ _ I used to

[C5] rule the [D7sus4] world, seas would
[G] rise when I gave the [Em] word now in the morning I
[C] sleep a-[D7sus4]-lone, sweep the
[G] streets I used to [Em] own

[C5] [D7sus4] [G] [Em] [C5] [D7sus4] [G] [Em] _ _ I used to
[C5] roll the [D7sus4] dice feel the
[G] fear in my enemy's [Em] eyes, listen as the
[C5] crowd would [D7sus4] sing "Now the
[G] old king is dead! Long [Em] live the king!" One minute I
[C5] held the [D7sus4] key next the
[G] walls were closed on [Em] me and I discovered that my
[C5] castles [D7sus4] stand upon
[G] pillars of salt and pil-[Em]-lars of sand

I [C] hear Jerusalem [D] bells a ringing
[G] Roman Calvary [Em] choirs are singing
[C] Be my mirror, my [D] sword and shield, my
[G] missionaries in a [Em] foreign field
[C] For some reason I [D] can't explain
[G] Once you've gone there was [Em] never _ never an
[Cmaj7] ho---nest [D] word and that was
[G] when I ruled the [Em] world

[C5] [D7sus4] [Gmaj7] [Em]
[C5] [D7sus4] [Gmaj7] [Em] _ It was a wicked and
[C5] wild [D7sus4] wind blew the
[G] doors to let me [Em] in, shattered windows and the
[C5] sound of [D7sus4] drums people
[G] couldn't believe what [Em] I'd become Revol-
[C5]-utionaries [D7sus4] wait for my
[G] head on a silver [Em] plate just a puppet on a
[C5] lonely [D7sus4] string, oh,
[G] who would ever want to be [Em] king?

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[G] Roman Calvary [Em] choirs are singing
[C] Be my mirror, my [D] sword and shield, my
[G] missionaries in a [Em] foreign field
[C] For some reason I [D] can't explain
[G] I know Saint Peter won't [Em] call my name, never an
[Cmaj7] ho---nest [D] word and that was
[G] when I ruled the [Em] world

[C5] [Em] [C5] [Em] [C5] [Em] [D7sus4] [D7sus4] (_ _ Wo...
[C5] ah...) [D7sus4] (Wo... [G] ah...) [Em] (Wo...
[C5] ah...) [D7sus4] (Wo... [G] ah...) [Em] (Wo... I

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[C] oh...[D] Oh...[Gmaj7] oh...