

## **Simple Man – Alan Chapman 2017 (capo 2 – B harp... or E?)**

**I was born a simple man, a simple man I am  
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A simple man is all I am.  
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**I was raised happily, with love and honesty  
Two brothers and a Mum and Dad and a lucky life for me  
A very lucky life for me.  
A very lucky life for me.**

**I went to school and I was keen and I played for the football team.  
Mum and Dad always said to me, you can be anything you dream.  
You can be anything you dream.  
You can be anything you dream.  
You can be anything.. you can be anything.. you can be anything you dream.**

**I got a job and I got a car, I wanted to go far.  
I saw a girl and she had my heart and she took me to the stars.  
And she still takes me to the stars.  
And she still takes me to the stars.  
And she still takes me.. And she still takes me.. And she still takes me to the stars.**

**We were young and I said goodbye accidentally, I told a lie (to myself)  
I tried to find her many times but we both made different lives.  
We're always making different lives.  
We're always making different lives.  
We're always making.. We're always making.. We're always making different lives.**

**Pretty soon I moved away, I got a family.  
A wife, three kids, dependence... and loyalty  
Dependence and loyalty  
Dependence and loyalty**

**Looking back there was no real compatibility  
I was very wrong for her and she was wrong for me  
Yeah I was wrong for her and her for me  
Yeah I was wrong for her and her for me**

**Some people stay together 'cos they don't wanna be alone  
They drink wine, see friends, make kids, and a happy happy home  
Yeah doin a best to make a happy home  
Yeah doing a best to make a happy home**

**Then the years go by so carelessly you wonder who you are  
You get stuck and it's comfortable and changing is so hard  
Yeah moving on and changing is so hard  
Yeah moving on and changing is so hard  
Yeah moving on and changing.. Moving on and changing.. Moving on and changing is so hard**

**Thankfully she found somebody else and set us free (eventually)  
Breakin up was overdue and always meant to be.  
Yeah breakin up was always meant to be.  
Yes everything is always meant to be.  
Everything is always.. Everything is always.. Everything is always meant to be.**

Being on your own is lonely but it's how we grow  
You get to find your true self by .. Letting go  
You get to find yourself by letting go  
You understand yourself by letting go (getting low)  
Oh you understand yourself  
You get to know yourself  
Yeah you understand yourself by letting go (getting low, letting go..)

Solo?????

It can take a long time, waiting for the one  
And when you're least expecting anything.. it'll come..... (to F#7)  
One summer's day I was a-singing in a choir  
An angel came stood next to me and ... lit a fire  
An angel came and in me lit a fire  
An angel came and in me lit a fire  
An angel came and in me.. An angel came and in me.. An angel came and in me lit a fire

Like the Willie Nelson song she had a broken wing  
And she could play trombone and dance and beautifully sing.... (to F#7)  
She was full of love and all then goodness you could dream  
But we were only borrowing her..  
She couldn't stay..  
She had to go..  
She had to leave.. (STOP)  
An angel she always had to leave  
Angels, they always have to leave (You only borrow angels)  
Angels they always.. Angels they always.. Angels they always have to leave..

Five years with an angel, she taught me everything  
How to live and how to love, and learn and die and sing.... (to F#7)  
How to write what's in your heart and tell it to the stars  
How to choose and how to lose, discover who you are  
Discover.. who you really are  
Yeah we can discover who we really are  
We can discover... we can discover..  
Discover who we really are..

(short instrumental on the A riff)

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