

In This New Year

(Sounding key of F major - This is for Guitar Capo III)

D G/B A/C# D G/B A/C#

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Rain and snow fall softly in a silent blend

D G/B A/C#
A new year falls upon this gathering of friends

G/B A/C#
And we sing Auld Lang Syne

D G/B A/C#
We sit and laugh at our respective resolutions

D G/B A/C#
We'll change our weight, change our habits, change our fortunes

G G/F# G/E D
But we all know that there are greater things that need to change

G G/F# G/E D
But we push them all aside and say they're way beyond our range

G/E G/F# G
We analyze the problems, but still everything's the same

Bbdim Asus
But who's to know the good that could be done

Asus D G/B A/C#
If we'd become Instruments of Peace

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D G/B A/C#
Now this war invades our hurried daily lives

D G/B A/C#
Pandora's box has opened, spilling hate and battle cries

G G/F# G/E D
And as we pledge allegiance and we speak of love and tolerance

G G/F# G/E D
Our politicians market war as just preemptive self-defense

G/E G/F# G
 And if I disagree I might be charged with lack of common sense
Bbdim Asus
 But I think all the battles could be won
Asus D G/B A/C#
 If we'd become Instruments of Peace
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D G/B A/C#
 Somehow we've all learned to play this modern game
D G/B A/C#
 To criticize and find somewhere else to place the blame
G G/F# G/E D
 And in our land of opportunity we feel this great distress
G G/F# G/E D
 When things don't measure up to our perceived entitlements
G G/F# G/E D
 But somehow we must try to turn our gaze around
G/E G/F# G
 And look first deep within ourselves for that fertile ground
Bbdim Asus
 Where we plant the seeds of change and come to see
Asus D G/B A/C#
 That we can be Instruments of Peace
D G/B A/C# D G/B A/C# D
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