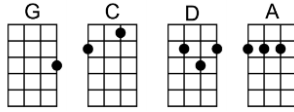


FISH AND WHISTLE^(BAR)-John Prine

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Intro: First 3 lines (verse)

G C G
I been thinking lately about the people I meet

C G D
The carwash on the corner and the hole in the street

G C G D G
The way my ankles hurt with shoes on my feet, and I'm wonderin' if I'm gonna see to-morrow.

G C G C G D
Father forgive us for what we must do. You forgive us, we'll forgive you

G C G D G
We'll forgive each other till we both turn blue, then we'll whistle and go fishin' in a-heaven.

Instrumental verse

G C G C G D
I was in the army, but I never dug a trench. I used to bust my knuckles on a monkey wrench

G C G D G
I'd go to town and drink, give the girls a pinch, but I don't think they ever even noticed me.

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p.2. Fish and Whistle

D G
Fish and whistle, whistle and fish, eat everything that they put on your dish

C G
And when we get through we'll make a big wish

A D
That we never have to do this a-gain, again? again?

G C G
On my very first job I said thank you and please.

C G D
They made me scrub a parkin' lot down on my knees

G C G D G
Then I got fired for bein' scared of bees, and they only give me fifty cents an hour.

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Outro: instrumental verse