

# The Times They Are A-Changing

Bob Dylan

**G** **Em**  
Come gather 'round people  
**C** **G**  
Wherever you roam  
**G** **Em**  
And admit that the waters  
**C** **D**  
Around you have grown  
**G** **Em**  
And accept it that soon  
**C** **G**  
You'll be drenched to the bone.  
**G** **Am** **D**  
If your time to you Is worth savin'  
**D** **D7**  
Then you better start swimmin' Or you'll sink like a stone  
**G** **C** **D** **G**  
For the times they are a-changin'.

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Come writers and critics  
Who prophesize with your pen  
And keep your eyes wide  
The chance won't come again  
And don't speak too soon  
For the wheel's still in spin  
And there's no tellin' who that it's namin'.  
'Cause the loser now  
Will be later to win  
For the times they are a-changin'.

Come senators, congressmen  
Please heed the call  
Don't stand in the doorway  
Don't block up the hall  
For he that gets hurt  
Will be he who has stalled  
The battle outside ragin'  
Will soon shake your windows \*)  
And rattle your walls  
For the times they are a-changin'.

Come mothers and fathers  
Throughout the land  
And don't criticize  
What you can't understand  
Your sons and your daughters  
Are beyond your command  
Your old road is rapidly agin'.  
Please get out of the new one  
If you can't lend your hand  
For the times they are a-changin'.

The line it is drawn  
The curse it is cast  
The slow one now

Will later be fast  
As the present now  
Will later be past  
The order is rapidly fadin'.  
And the first one now  
Will later be last  
For the times they are a-changin'.