

# Rusty Cage

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**A5**

You wired me awake  
And hit me with a hand of broken nails  
You tied my lead and pulled my chain  
To watch my blood begin to boil

**A5 G A5**

But I'm gonna break

**G A5**

I'm gonna break my  
I'm gonna break my rusty cage and run  
But I'm gonna break...

**D A5**

...I'm gonna break my rusty cage and run

Too cold to start a fire  
I'm burning diesel burning dinosaur bones  
I'll take the river down to still water  
And ride a pack of dogs

But I'm gonna break...  
But I'm gonna break...

Hits like a Phillips head into my brain  
It's gonna be too dark to sleep again  
Cutting my teeth on bars and rusty chains  
I'm gonna break my rusty cage and run

When the forest burns along the road  
Like God's eyes in my headlights  
When the dogs are looking for their bones  
And it's raining icepicks on your steel shore

I'm gonna break  
I'm gonna break my

**D E**

I'm gonna break my rusty cage and run