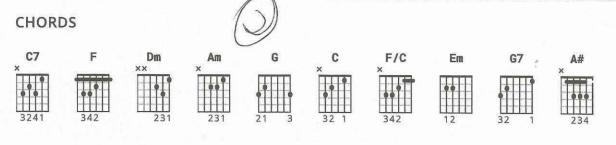
## Leader Of The Band chords by Dan Fogelberg





[Intro]

C7 F Dm Am G C F/C C F/C C

[Verse]

F/C C An only child alone and wild, a cabinet maker's son Am Dm His hands were meant for different work and his heart was known to none C F/C C Em He left his home and went his lone and solitary way Dm Am Dm G7 C F/C C F/C C And he gave to me a gift I know I never can repay C F/C C Em A quiet man of music, denied a simpler fate Dm Am Dm He tried to be a soldier once but his music wouldn't wait C F/C C He earned his love through discipline, a thund'ring velvet hand His gentle means of sculpting souls took me years to understand

[Chorus]

F Em F C

The leader of the band is tired and his eyes are growing old

Dm Am Dm A# G

But his blood runs through my instrument and his song is in my soul

F Em F C

My life has been a poor attempt to imitate the man

Dm Am Dm F C

I'm just a living legacy to the lea der of the band

[Instrumental]

F/C C F/C C F/C C

C F/C C Em F
My brothers' lives were different for they heard another call

[Instrumental]

C7 F Dm Am G7 C F/C C F/C C

[Verse]

C F/C C Em F
I thank you for the music and your stories of the road
Dm Am Dm F G
I thank you for the freedom when it came my time to go
C F/C C Em F
I thank you for the kindness and the times when you got tough
Dm Am Dm G7 C
And papa I don't think I said "I love you" near enough

[Chorus]

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[Outro]

Dm Am Dm F G C
I am the living legacy to the leader of the band
F/C C F/C C F/C C C7 F Dm Am G7 C