

The Old Rugged Cross

Key - A

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Verse 1

A A2sus A A°7 A D D°7 D
On a hill far a-way stood an old rugged cross
B E7 A/E E7 A
The emblem of suffering and shame
A2sus A A°7 A D D°7 D
And I love that old cross where the dear - est and best
B E7 D/E E7 E9 C#m/E E7 A
For a world of lost sin - ners was slain

Chorus

E A/E E7 A A°7 A
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross
A/C# D A
Till my trophies at last I lay down
D/A A D
I will cling to the old rug - ged cross
A/E E7 A/E E7 A
And ex - change it some day for a crown

Verse 2

Oh the old rugged cross so despised by the world
Has a wondrous attraction for me
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above
To bear it to dark Calvary

Verse 3

In the old rugged cross stained with blood so divine
A wondrous beauty I see
For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died
To pardon and sanctify me

Verse 4

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true
It's shame and reproach gladly bear
Then He'll call me some day to my home far away
Where His glory forever I'll share