

Hillel's Song

Hebrew text from Pirkei Avot 2:6

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♩ = 104 **Moderate Rock feel**

(guitar-capo 2) G C(add9) Ami⁷ D G C(add9)
A D(add9) Bmi⁷ E A D(add9)



A long time a-go ___ there lived a great teach - er, Hil - lel was _ his name.

Ami⁷ D G C(add9) Ami⁷ D
Bmi⁷ E A D(add9) Bmi⁷ E



Peo - ple would ask ___ him all ___ kinds of ques - tions, his wise

G C(add9) Ami⁷ D C Bmi
A D(add9) Bmi⁷ E D C#mi



an - swers brought _ him fame. ___ Some - one once asked, _ "In a place _

Ami Bmi G C D
Bmi A D E



_ that is e - vil, _ how are we s'posed _ to be-have?" ___ Hil-lel thought

C Bmi Ami G Ami⁷
D C#mi Bmi A Bmi⁷



_ for a mo - ment, he pon - dered the ques - tion, and this is the an - swer he gave:

16

D *G* *C(add9)* *Ami7* *D*
E *A* *D(add9)* *Bmi7* *E*

19

G *C(add9)* *Ami7* *D* *G* *C(add9)*
A *D(add9)* *Bmi7* *E* *A* *D*

22

Ami7 *D* *C* *Bmi* *Ami7* *D7*
Bmi7 *E* *D* *C#mi* *Bmi7* *E7*

25

G *C(add9)* *Ami7* *D* *G* *C(add9)* *Ami7* *D*
A *D(add9)* *Bmi7* *E* *A* *D(add9)* *Bmi7* *E*

29

G *C(add9)* *Ami7* *D* *G* *C(add9)*
A *D(add9)* *Bmi7* *E* *A* *D(add9)*

32

Ami7 *D* *G* *C(add9)* *Ami7* *D*
Bmi7 *E* *A* *D(add9)* *Bmi7* *E*

35

G *C(add9)* *Ami7* *D* *C* *Bmi*
A *D(add9)* *Bmi7* *E* *D* *C#mi*

Ami G C D
Bmi A D E

38 ers, our chil - dren, and we search _ for the an - swer in-side. _ And in the

C Bmi Ami G Ami⁷
D C#mi Bmi A Bmi⁷

41 struggle be-tween _ what's right _ and what's wrong we let this les-son be _ our _ guide.

D G C(add9) Ami⁷ D
E A D(add9) Bmi⁷ E

44 _ "B' - ma - kom _ she - ein a - na - shim, _

G C(add9) Ami⁷ D G C(add9)
A D(add9) Bmi⁷ E A D(add9)

47 b' - ma - kom _ she - ein a - na - shim, _ b' - ma - kom _ she -

Ami⁷ D To Coda C Bmi Ami⁷ D⁷
Bmi⁷ E ⊕ D C#mi Bmi⁷ E⁷

50 ein a - na - shim," _ Hil - lel o - mer: "Hish-ta - del _ li - h' - yot _ ish." _

G C(add9) Ami⁷ D EbMaj⁷
A D(add9) Bmi⁷ E FMaj⁷

53 _ "Where peo - ple are act - ing in - hu -

Dmi C G
Emi D A

56 man," _ Hil - lel said, _ "We must strive _ to be hu - man. _ Make

EbMaj⁷ *Dmi* *C*
F⁷Maj⁷ *E⁷mi* *D*

59 peace with your sis - ter and broth - er, _ what is hate-ful to you _ do not do _

D *G* *C(add9)* *A⁷mi⁷* *D*
E (Inst.) *A* *D(add9)* *B⁷mi⁷* *E*

62 _ to an - oth - er." _____

G *C(add9)* *A⁷mi⁷* *D*
A *D(add9)* *B⁷mi⁷* *E*

66 So man - y ques - tions, not _____ e - nough _____ an - swers as we

G *C(add9)* *A⁷mi⁷* *D* *G* *C(add9)*
A *D(add9)* *B⁷mi⁷* *E* *A* *D*

68 trav - el a - long _____ the road. _____ But if we re - mem - ber _____ the words

A⁷mi⁷ *D* *G* *C(add9)* *A⁷mi⁷* *D*
B⁷mi⁷ *E* *A* *D(add9)* *B⁷mi⁷* *E*

71 _ of wise Hil - lel we will al - ways know which _ way _ to go. _____ When we find

C *B⁷mi* *A⁷mi* *G*
D *C[#]mi* *B⁷mi* *A*

74 _ our - selves _____ in a place _____ that is e - vil, _____ and

C *D* *C*
D *E* *D* (no chord)

76 we don't know how _____ to be - have, _____ if we stop _____ for a mo - ment, and

79 *Ami* *G* *Ami*⁷
Bmi *A* *Bmi*⁷
 pon - der the ques - tion, we'll re - mem - ber the an - swer he gave. _

81 *D*⁷ *E*⁷ **D.S. al Coda** **CODA** *C* *Bmi*
D *C#mi*
 - lel o - mer: "Hish - ta - del _

83 *Ami*⁷ *D* *C* *Bmi* *Ami*⁷ *D*
*Bmi*⁷ *E* *D* *C#mi* *Bmi*⁷ *E*⁷
 - li - h' - yot, " Hil - lel o - mer: "Hish - ta - del _ li - h' - yot, " Hil -

86 *C* *Bmi* *Ami*⁷ *D*⁷ *G* *C(add9)*
D *C#mi* *Bmi*⁷ *E* *A* *D(add9)*
 lel o - mer: "Hish - ta - del _ li - h' - yot _ ish." _

89 *Ami*⁷ *D* *G* *C(add9)* *Ami*⁷ *D*
*Bmi*⁷ *E* *A* *D(add9)* *Bmi*⁷ *E*

92 *G* *C(add9)* *Ami*⁷ **repeat to fade**
A *D(add9)* *Bmi*⁷ *D*
 "B' - ma - kom _ she - ein a - na - shim... _