

# Prayer of the Refugee

Rise Against

The Sufferer & the Witness

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Music by Rise Against

Standard tuning

Moderate ♩ = 78

**Intro**

S-Gt

**Verse**

*f* Warm your- self by the fi- re, son, And the

TAB: 3 3 3 3 3 3 4 3 4 4

4

morn- ing will come soon. Ill tell you sto- ries of a bet- ter time, In a

full

TAB: 4 1 4 3 1 3 3 3 3 3 1 1 3 4 3 3 3

**Part 2...**

6

place that we once knew. *fff* Be- fore we packed our bags And left all this be- hind

TAB: 4 4 4 3 1 3 3 3 3 3 1 1 3 4 1 1 3

8

us in the dust, We had a place that we could call home, And a life

TAB: (3) 3 1 1 3 3 3 3 3 3 1 1 3 4 4 4 1

♩ = 100

Chorus

10

no one could touch. *f* *fff* Dont hold me up now, I can stand my

TAB: (1) 1 4 4 3 (3) 3 3 1 3 4 3 0 3 1

13

own ground, I dont need your help now, You will let me *fff* down, down, down! *fff* Dont hold me

TAB: 3 4 3 0 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 4 3 3 3 3 3 1

16

up now, I can stand my own ground, I dont need your help now, You will let me *fff* down,down,down! *fff* Down!

TAB: 3 4 3 0 3 1 3 4 3 0 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 4 3 3 3 1

full

♩ = 78

Verse

20

We are the ang- ry and the despe- rate, The hung-

TAB: 3 3 3 3 3 1 1 3 4 4 1

24

ry, and the cold, We are the ones that kept quiet, 'n'al- ways did

TAB (1) 1 4 4 3 3 3 3 3 1 3 4 4 4 1

26

what we were told. But weve been sweat- ing while you slept so calm, In the

TAB (1) 4 3 1 1 3 3 3 3 3 1 1 3 4 3 1 1

28

safe- ty of your home. Weve been pull- ing out the nails that hold up E-

TAB 3 3 1 1 3 3 3 3 1 1 3 4 4 4 3

♩ = 100                      ♩ = 100

**Chorus**

30

very- thing youve known. *f* *fff* Dont hold me up now, I can stand my

TAB (3) 1 4 3 1 (1) 3 3 1 3 4 3 0 3 1

33

own ground, I dont need your help now, You will let me *ff* down, down, down! *fff* Dont hold me

TAB 3 4 3 0 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 4 3 3 3 3 3 1

36

up now, I can stand my own ground, I dont need your help now, You will let me

TAB

3	4	3	0	3	1	3	4	3	0	3	1	1	1	1	1	4
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**Bridge**

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*ff* down, down, down! *fff* So o- pen your eyes child, Lets be on our

TAB

3	3	1	3	2	0	3	0	1	1	2	3	1
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42

way. Bro- ken win- dows and a- shes Are gui- ding the way. Keep qui- et no

TAB

3	1	1	2	0	3	0	3	0	3	1	3	3	4	2	0
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45

lon- ger, Well sing through the day, Of the lives that weve lost, Andthe lives weve re-

TAB

2	0	3	4	2	0	2	3	3	2	0	3	0	0	0	4	2	0
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Solo!

48

cla- imed. GO!

TAB: 6 3 2

♩ = 78

Let's go!

52

TAB: (Empty)

♩ = 100

Chorus

59

Dont hold me up now, I can stand my

TAB: 3 3 1 | 3 4 3 0 3 1

62

own ground, I dont need your help now, You will let me *ff* down, down, down! *fff* Dont hold me

TAB: 3 4 3 0 3 1 | 1 1 1 1 1 4 | 3 3 3 3 3 1

65

up now, I can stand my own ground, I dont need your help now, You will let me

TAB: 3 4 3 0 3 1 | 3 4 3 0 3 1 | 1 1 1 1 1 4

Outro

68

68 69 70 71 72

*ff* down, down, down! *fff* Dont hold me up      Dont hold me up      *ff* No! No! No! *fff* Dont hold me

TAB 3 3 3 3 3 1      3      3 3 1      3      3 3 3 3 3 1

73

73 74 75 76 77 78

up!      Dont hold me up!      Dont let me      *ff* down,down,down,down,      *fff* down!

TAB 3      3 3 1      3 3 3 1      3 3 3 3      3      (3)

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TAB