

Better Way

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Blues Feel

1 Eb Eb Ab7 Bb7 Eb

5 Ab7 Bb7 Eb Eb Eb

9 Ab7 Ab7 Eb My life was a dead end street,

12 Eb Ab7 Bb7 Eb I was bare-ly stay-in' up on my feet; I asked ev'-ry-bo-dy

15 Ab7 Bb7 Eb Eb that I'd meet: Is there a bet-ter way? now tell me,

19 Ab7 Ab7 Eb Is there a bet-ter way? No hap-pi-ness could I find,

22 Eb Ab7 Bb7 Eb Tried ev'-ry-thing to ease my mind, But I kept fal-lin' ev-en

25 Ab7 Bb7 Eb Eb fur-ther be-hind: I knew there was a bet-ter way, Oh, there

29 Ab7 Ab7 Cm7 must be a bet-ter way. Je-sus is the better way

32 Cm7 Ab7 Bb7 1 Eb Je-sus is the bet-ter way Je-sus is the

bet-ter way Je-sus is the bet-ter way.

35 Eb7 B7 E E

Con-fused and a-bused, I had no-where to turn; I was

38 A7 A7 E

un-a-ble to change and un-wil-lin' to learn; Deep in my soul I

41 E A7 B7 E

star-ted to yearn: I want-ed a bet-ter way, Yeah, there

44 A7 B7 E E

had to be a bet-ter way. I saw a sign down on the

47 E A7

corn-er of the street, Its mes-sage so strong it al-most

49 A7 E

knocked me off my feet! Five lit-tle words but the

51 E A7 B7 E

mean-ing was clear, They were the five words I need-ed to hear, The

54 A7 B7 E E E

five words I need-ed to hear. They said: Je-sus is the bet-ter way

58 A7 A7 C#m7

Je-sus is the bet-ter way Je-sus is the

61 C#m7 A7 B7 1 E 2 E C7

bet-ter way Je-sus is the bet-ter way.

65 F F Bb7

Now my life's not a dead end street, Found ev' - ry-thing to

68 Bb7 F F

make it com-plete, And I tell ev' - ry - bo - dy that I meet: I say

71 Bb7 C7 F Bb7 C7

"There is a bet - ter way." I tell 'em, "There is a bet - ter way."

74 F F F

True hap - pi - ness I have found, Where

77 Bb7 Bb7 F

joy and peace and love of Christ a-bound. I got - ta go and spread this

80 F Bb7 C7 F

News all a-round! That Je - sus is the on - ly way. I tell 'em,

83 Bb7 C7 F F F

Je - sus is the on - ly way. Je - sus is the on - ly way

87 Bb7 Bb7 Dm7

Je - sus is the on - ly way Je - sus is the

90 Dm7 Bb7 C7 F

on - ly way Je - sus is the on - ly way.

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Intro:

Eb | Eb | Ab7 Bb7 | Eb | Ab7 Bb7 | Eb |

Eb | Eb | Ab7 | Ab7 |
My life was a dead end street, I was barely stayin' up on my feet;

Eb | Eb | Ab7 Bb7 | Eb |
I asked everybody that I'd meet: Is there a better way? Now tell me,

Ab7 Bb7 | Eb | Eb | Eb |
Is there a better way? No happiness could I find,

Ab7 | Ab7 | Eb | Eb |
Tried everything to ease my mind, But I kept fallin' even further behind: I

Ab7 Bb7 | Eb | Ab7 Bb7 | Eb |
knew there was a better way, Oh, there must be a better way.

• Eb | Eb | Ab7 | Ab7 |
• Jesus is the better way Jesus is the better way

Cm7 | Cm7 | Ab7 Bb7 | Eb | Eb B7 |
Jesus is the better way Jesus is the better way. way. way Con-

E | E | A7 | A7 |
fused and abused, I had nowhere to turn; I was unable to change and unwillin' to learn;

E | E | A7 B7 | E |
Deep in my soul I started to yearn: I wanted a better way, Yeah, there

A7 B7 | E | E | E |
had to be a better way. I saw a sign down on the corner of the street, Its

A7 | A7 | E |
message so strong it almost knocked me off my feet! Five little words but the

E | A7 B7 | E |
meaning was clear, They were the five words I needed to hear, The

A7	B7	E	• E	E
five words I needed to	hear. They said:	• Jesus is the	better way	

A7	A7	C#m7	C#m7
Jesus is the	better way	Jesus is the	better way

	1st ending	2nd ending	
A7	B7	E	• E C7
Jesus is the better	way.	• way.	F
			Now my life's not a

F	Bb7	Bb7	F
dead end street,	Found everything to	make it complete,	And I tell everybody

F	Bb7 C7	F	Bb7 C7
that I meet: I say	"There is a better	way." I tell 'em,	"There is a better

F	F	F	Bb7
way."	True happiness	I have found, Where	joy and peace and love of

Bb7	F	F	Bb7 C7
Christ abound.	I gotta go and spread this	News all around! That	Jesus is the only

F	Bb7 C7	F	• F
way I tell 'em,	Jesus is the only	way.	• Jesus is the

F	Bb7	Bb7	Dm7
only way	Jesus is the	only way	Jesus is the

Dm7	Bb7 C7	F	•
only way	Jesus is the only	way.	•

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Verse 1:

My life was a dead end street,
I was barely stayin' up on my feet;
I asked everybody that I'd meet:
I asked everybody that I'd meet:
Is there a better way?
Now tell me, Is there a better way?

No happiness could I find,
Tried everything to ease my mind,
But I kept fallin' even further behind:
I knew there was a better way,
Oh, there must be a better way.

Chorus:

Jesus is the better way
Jesus is the better way
Jesus is the better way
Jesus is the better way.

Jesus is the better way
Jesus is the better way
Jesus is the better way
Jesus is the better way.

Verse 2:

Confused and abused, I had nowhere to
turn;
I was unable to change and unwillin' to
learn;
Deep in my soul I started to yearn:
I wanted a better way,
Yeah, there had to be a better way.

I saw a sign down on the corner of the
street,
Its message so strong it almost knocked
me off my feet!

Five little words but the meaning was
clear,
They were the five words I needed to
hear,
The five words I needed to hear. They
said:

Chorus:

Jesus is the better way
Jesus is the better way
Jesus is the better way
Jesus is the better way.

Jesus is the better way
Jesus is the better way
Jesus is the better way
Jesus is the better way.

Verse 3:

Now my life's not a dead end street,
Found everything to make it complete,
And I tell everybody that I meet:
I say "There is a better way."
I tell 'em, "There is a better way."

True happiness I have found,
Where joy and peace and love of Christ
abound.
I gotta go and spread this News all
around!
That Jesus is the only way.
I tell 'em, Jesus is the only way.

Chorus:

Jesus is the only way
Jesus is the only way
Jesus is the only way
Jesus is the only way.

Jesus is the only way
Jesus is the only way
Jesus is the only way
Jesus is the only way

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Soprano Sax or Trumpet Solo in Bb
Blues, swing/ad lib.

Begin 2nd Chorus



vocal line

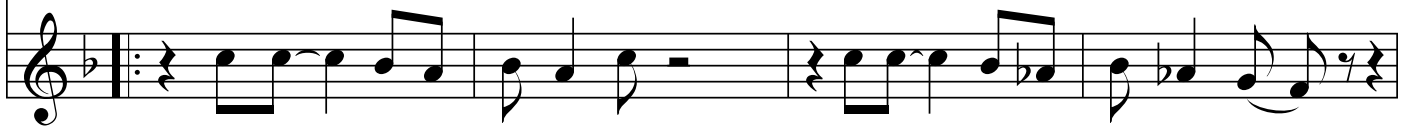


Je-sus— is the bet - ter way Je-sus— is the bet - ter way—



Je-sus— is the bet - ter way Je - sus is the bet - ter way.—

3rd Chorus (final chorus)



Je - sus is the on - ly way Je - sus is the on - ly way



Je - sus is the on - ly way Je - sus is the on - ly way.