

SPEED OF THE SOUND OF LONELINESS

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Key: C **Start Note:** G **Time:** 4/4 **Strum:** D _ du D _ du
Picking: Travis

Intro: C /// C /// G /// G /// F /// F /// C /// C ///

1. C C F F
 You come home late and you come home early
 G G C C
 You come on big when you're feeling small.
 C C F F
 You come home straight and you come home curly
 G G C C
 Sometimes you don't come home at all.

C C F F
So what in the world's come over you
G G C C
And what in heaven's name have you done.
C C F F
You've broken the speed of the sound of loneliness
G G C C
You're out there running just to be on the run.

2. C C F F
 Well, I got a heart that burns with a fever
 G G C C
 And I've got a worried and a jealous mind
 C C F F
 How can a love that'll last for-ever
 G G C C
 Get left so far be-hind

C C F F
So what in the world's come over you
G G C C
And what in heaven's name have you done.
C C F F
You've broken the speed of the sound of loneliness
G G C C
You're out there running just to be on the run.

3. C C F F
 It's a mighty mean and a dreadful sorrow
 G G C C
 It's crossed the evil line to-day
 C C F F
 How can you ask about tomorrow
 G G C C
 When we ain't got one word to say

C C F F
So what in the world's come over you
G G C C
And what in heaven's name have you done.
C C F F
You've broken the speed of the sound of loneliness
G G C C
You're out there running just to be on the run.

Outro:

G G C C
You're out there running just to be on the run.
G G C↓
You're out there running just to be on the run.