# I Will Survive

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**INTRO: / 1 2 3 4 / [A7]↓**

At **[Dm]↓** first I was afraid, I was **[Gm7]↓** petrified

Kept thinkin' **[C]↓** I could never live without you **[F]↓** by my side

But then I **[Bbmaj7]↓** spent so many nights

Thinkin' **[Gm7]↓** how you did me wrong

And I grew **[A]↓** strong, and I learned **[A7]↓** how to get along

But now you're **[Dm]** back, from outer **[Gm7]** space

I just walked **[C]** in to find you here with that sad **[F]** look upon your face

I should have **[Bbmaj7]** changed that stupid lock

I should have **[Gm7]** made you leave your key

If I'd've **[A]** known for just one second, you'd be **[A7]** back to bother me

**CHORUS:**

Go on now **[Dm]** go, walk out the **[Gm7]** door

Just turn a-**[C]**round now, 'cause you're not **[F]** welcome anymore

**[Bbmaj7]** Weren't you the one who tried to **[Gm7]** hurt me with goodbye

Did you think I’d **[A]** crumble, did you think I'd **[A7]** lay down and die?

Oh no, not **[Dm]** I, I will sur-**[Gm7]**vive

Oh as **[C]** long as I know how to love, I **[F]** know I'll stay alive

I've got **[Bbmaj7]** all my life to live, and I've got **[Gm7]** all my love to give

And I'll sur-**[A]**vive, I will sur-**[A7]**vive, I will sur-**[Dm]**vive

**INSTRUMENTAL:**

Walk out the **[Gm7]** door

Just turn a-**[C]**round now, 'cause you're not **[F]** welcome anymore

**[Bbmaj7]** Weren't you the one who tried

To **[Gm7]** hurt me with goodbye

Did you think I’d **[A]** crumble, did you think I'd **[A7]** lay down

Only the **[Dm]** Lord could give me strength, not to **[Gm7]** fall apart

Though I tried **[C]** hard to mend the pieces of my **[F]** broken heart

And I spent **[Bbmaj7]** oh so many nights, just feelin’ **[Gm7]** sorry for myself

I used to **[A]** cry, but now I **[A7]** hold my head up high

And you see **[Dm]** me, somebody **[Gm7]** new

I'm not that **[C]** chained-up little person still in **[F]** love with you

And so you **[Bbmaj7]** felt like droppin' in, and just ex-**[Gm7]**pect me to be free

Well now I'm **[A]** savin' all my lovin' for some-**[A7]**one who's lovin' me

**CHORUS:**

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Just turn a-**[C]**round now, 'cause you're not **[F]** welcome anymore

**[Bbmaj7]** Weren't you the one who tried, to **[Gm7]** crush me with goodbye

Did you think I’d **[A]** crumble, did you think I'd **[A7]** lay down and die?

Oh no **[Dm]** not I, I will sur-**[Gm7]**vive

And as **[C]** long as I know how to love, I **[F]** know I'll stay alive

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And I'll sur-**[A]**vive, I will sur-**[A7]**vive, I will sur-**[Dm]**vive

**INSTRUMENTAL:**

I will sur-**[Gm7]**vive

And as **[C]** long as I know how to love, I **[F]** know I'll stay alive

I've got **[Bbmaj7]** all my life to live, and I've got **[Gm7]** all my love to give

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