

I Am A Wanderer

by Steve Earle ©

I am a wanderer feet on the ground
Heart on my sleeve and my head in the clouds
Eye on a star above some distant shore
Wandering ever more

I am a refugee torn from my land
Cast off to travel this world to its end
Never to see my proud mountains again
But I still remember them

I am a laborer sign round my neck,
"Will work for dignity, trust and respect"
Stand on this corner so you don't forget
I haven't had mine yet

I am a prisoner pacing my cell
Three steps and back in my corner of hell
Lock me away and you swallow the key
Some day I shall be free

(repeat first verse)

The musical notation is written on a treble clef staff in the key of A major (three sharps: F#, C#, G#) and 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Chord symbols are placed above the staff: A (measures 1-2), Bm and D (measures 3-4), E (measure 5), A (measures 6-7), Bm (measures 8-9), D (measures 10-11), D/E (measure 12), E7 (measure 13), and A (measures 14-15). The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words split across lines. The piece ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

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