## **Chain Gang**

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[Em] I hear someone saying

[G] ooh! [Em] aah! [C] ooh! [D] aah!

[G] ooh! [Em] aah! [C] ooh! [D] aah!

That's the sound of the [C] men working on the [G] chain [Em] gang [G] That's the sound of the [C] men working on the [D] chain [G] gang

All day long they're singing

[G] ooh! [Em] aah! [C] ooh! [D] aah!

[G] ooh! [Em] aah! [C] ooh! [D] aah!

(Well, don't you [G] know)

That's the sound of the [C] men working on the [G] chain [Em] gang

[G] That's the sound of the [C] men working on the [D] chain [G] gang

[G] All day long they [Em] work so hard,

'till the [C] sun is going [D] down

[G] Working on the [Em] highways and byways and

[C] wearing, wearing a [D] frown

[G] You hear them moaning their [Em] lives away

[C] then you hear [D] somebody say

[G] That's the sound of the [C] men working on the [G] chain [Em] gang

[G] That's the sound of the [C] men working on the [D] chain [G] gang

## Instrumental break:

[G] You hear them moaning their [Em] lives away

[C] then you hear [D] somebody say

[G] That's the sound of the [C] men working on the [G] chain [Em] gang

[G] That's the sound of the [C] men working on the [D] chain [G] gang

(NC) Can't you hear them saying

[G] Mmn\_\_ [Em] I'm going home one of [C] these days

[D] I'm going home see my [G] woman whom I [Em] love so dear

But [C] meanwhile I got to [D] work right here

(Well, don't you [G] know)

That's the sound of the [C] men working on the [G] chain [Em] gang

[G] That's the sound of the [C] men working on the [D] chain [G] gang

All day long they're singing

[G] Hmn\_my [Em] my, my, my, my, [C] my, my\_my [D] work is so hard

Give me [G] water, I'm [Em] thirsty

My-[C]y-y\_my [D] work is so hard

Wo-[G]o-oh\_\_ my [Em] my, my, my, my, [C] my, my, my [D] work is so hard

Give me [G] water, I'm [Em] thirsty

My-[C]y-y\_my [D] work is so hard [G]

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- [G] That's the sound of the [C] men working on the [D] chain [G] gang