IF YOU COULD READ MY MIND - Gordon Lightfoot

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Intro:

G | G | G | Gadd9 |
F |

If you could read my mind, love, what a tale my thoughts could tell

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Just like an old-time movie, 'bout a ghost from a wishin' well

G | G7 | C | D | Em | C | G |

In a castle dark or a fortress strong, with chains upon my feet, you know that ghost is me

C | Bm7 | Am7 | D7 | G | Gadd9 |

And I will never be set free, as long as I'm a ghost that you can't see

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C | Bm7 | Am7 | D7 | G |

And you won't read that book again, be-cause the ending's just too hard to take

Instrumental:

Gadd9 | G | F | FMA7 | F | G | Gadd9 | G | F | FMA7 | F |

I'd walk a-way like a movie star who gets burned in a three-way script, enter number two
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A movie queen to play the scene of bringing all the good things out in me, but for now love, let's be real

I never thought I could act this way, and I've got to say that I just don't get it

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And if you read be-tween the lines, you'll know that I'm just tryin' to understand

The feelings that you lack

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