IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE THAT WAY - Jim Croce

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And the windy winter avenues just don't seem the same

C    Em  Am    C    F    G7    C

And the Christmas carols sound like blues, but the choir is not to blame

G7    C    Am   F    C    F    C    F    G    C

But, it doesn't have to be that way. What we had should never have ended

C    Am   F    C    F    C    F    D7    G7    G7

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Interlude:

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