

# Better Late Than Never

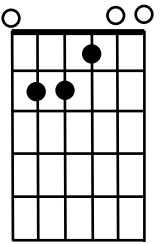
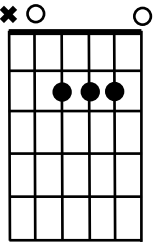
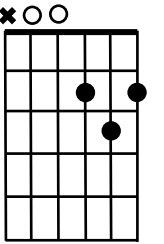
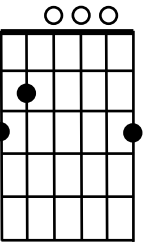
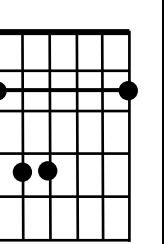
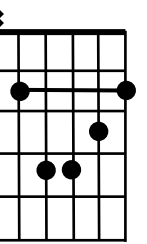
**Background:** This would be the title of my debut album. Portions of the song are based on the poem "Harlem" by Langston Hughes, which I remember from High School both as the poem itself and for the book "A Raisin in The Sun" that took its name from one of its lines. This is really a hard rock song that is difficult to arrange acoustically that still sounds OK, so it may not see the night of day unless I get a band together.

**Written:** 2023

Arr.	Key	Time	Tuning	Tempo	Style	Capo
1	E	4/4	Standard	140	Hard Rock	None

<b>Arrangement</b>	1
<b>Intro</b>	E D A G D
<b>Verse</b>	E D A G D x2
<b>Pre-chorus</b>	Bm G D A D A x2
<b>Chorus</b>	E G D A
<b>Bridge</b>	F#m D G A

## Chords Used in this Song

E	A	D	G	F#m	Bm
					

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## Verse

E

You wake up one day

D A G D

And decades have passed by

E

The mirror reflects back

D

A middle-aged fact

A G D

You can only wish was a lie

## Verse

E

You've been busy

D A G D

Living life pragmatically

E

What other choice could you make

D

But to hide and fake

A G D

Life is all just an act anyway

## Pre-chorus

Bm

G

You been wasting your time

D A D A

Living behind closed doors

Bm

G

You wasted your prime

D A D A

Now you're back for more

## Chorus

E

G

Yeah it took forever

D

But here I am

**A**  
Better late than never  
**E** **G**  
Had some old ties to sever  
**D**  
But here I am  
**A**  
Better late than never

### Verse

**E** **D**  
Woke up with an epiphany  
**A** **G D**  
Sounds flowing like a symphony  
**E** **D**  
Thoughts flooding in synchrony  
**A**  
Mirror images  
**G A**  
Perfect symmetry

### Pre-chorus

**Bm** **G**  
No more wasting your prime  
**D A D A**  
Like you did before  
**Bm** **G**  
Deferred dreams fester  
**D A D A**  
Like an open sore

### Chorus

**E** **G**  
I braved the weather  
**D**  
And here I am  
**A**  
Better late than never  
**E** **G**  
We won't live forever  
**D**



But here I am

**A**

Better late than never

**E** **G**

I won't see you in Heaven

**D**

So here I am

**A**

Better late than never

**E** **G**

Yeah Hell always seemed better

**D**

And soon I'll be there

**A**

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### **Chorus**

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**(Switch back to verse chords)**

### **Bridge**

I heard the angels makin' sounds  
I can't feel my feet touch the ground  
Let's pick up these flamethrowers  
And burn this whole place down

**Solo over verse chords**

### **Verse**

The dream deferred exploded  
Like an ancient supernova  
Yeah it's all crusted over  
Sugary sweet  
Just like a turnover

### **Chorus**

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<p><b>Verse</b>          You wake up one day          And decades have passed by          The mirror reflects back          A middle-aged fact          You can only wish was a lie</p>	<p><b>Chorus</b>          I braved the weather          And here I am          Better late than never          We won't live forever          So here I am          Better late than never</p>
<p><b>Verse</b>          You've been busy          Living life pragmatically          What other choice could you make          But to hide and fake          Life is all just an act anyway</p>	<p><b>(Switch back to verse chords)</b></p> <p><b>Bridge</b>          I heard the angels makin' sounds          I can't feel my feet touch the ground          Let's pick up these flamethrowers          And burn this whole place down</p>
<p><b>Pre-chorus</b>          You been wasting your time          Living behind closed doors          You wasted your prime          Now you're back for more</p>	<p><b>Solo over verse chords</b></p>
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