

2. (THE BALLAD OF) THE REBEL JESUS.

C G Am F
Jesus Christ was not a Christian. Didn't want his own religion.

C F G
But showed us how to live life beautif'ly.

C G Am F
Took the path of patient service. In pursuit of love and justice.

C G C
Then he turned to us and said "Come follow me."

C F/G/F
Chorus "Follow me. Follow me." (x3)

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C G Am F
They say that Jesus touched the people strict observers never touched;

C F G
He served the ones that others only used.

C G Am F
They say that Jesus loved the people conservative leaders never loved;

C G C
He blessed the ones that others had abused.

C G Am F
Chorus They say he taught a gospel wealthy pharisees had never thought of-

C F G
Beliefs that would be "good news for the poor".

C G Am F
They say his assault on the temple-on the orthodox who'd been bought off-

C G C
Had the paupers at the door crying out for more.

C G Am F
Chorus They say he preached nonviolence - the cheek to "turn the other cheek"-

C F G
Predicting we'd see the victory of the meek.

C G Am F
Then they say he prayed forgiveness when they nailed him for blasphemy-

C G C
Setting battlers marked by "fatwahs" completely free.

F C
Chorus *He did not call us to worship him - to bend our knee - and bow.*

F G
He called us all to follow him - stepping out in the spirit's power.

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