

Truckin' on the Eightfold Path

Swing ♩ = ♩³♩

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C G9(#5) C G9(#5) C G7

Now all my friends have been con-cerned a-bout me— They've been no-ti-cin' my

4 C G dim G7 C C dim B7

tran-quil-i-ty— the light in my eyes— is quite a sur-prise, they won-der if I'm loo-ny— or

8 G7 Gaug C G9(#5) C G9(#5)

may-be worse, a moo-nie— I re-as-sure 'em I'm not wai-tin' for some life af-ter death I ain't

12 C G7 C G dim G7 C C dim

sac-ri-fic-in' an-i-mals, or chan-nel-ing Seth, but when I say I med-i-tate, ob-ser-vin' my breath, and

16 B7 G7 Gaug

tell 'em I'm a Bud-dhist— you'd think I just said "Nu-dist!" So here's a

19 C A7 D7 G7

sim-ple way to say with-out pro-vo-kin' your wrath, that I'm truck-in' on the Eight-fold Path!

23 G7

Num-ber one is Right View Num-ber two is Right In -
Keep truck-in' on the Eight-fold Path

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26 C G7

ten - tion Num - ber three is Right Speech

Keep truck-in' on the Eight - fold Path Keep truck-in' on the

29 C

Num - ber four is Right Ac - tion Num - ber Five is Right

Eight - fold Path Keep truck-in' on the Eight - fold Path

32 B7 C Ab

Live - li - hood Num - ber six is Right Ef - fort Right

Keep truck-in' on the Eight - fold Path Keep truck-in' on the Eight - fold Path

36 C A7 D7 G7

Mind - ful - ness, Right Con - cen - tra - tion and you're truck-in' on the Eight - fold

truck-in' on the Eight - fold

39 C G7

Path, first you let a big - ger view in, keep your lit - tle thoughts from

Path Keep truck-in' on the Eight - fold Path

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42 C B7

stray - in' _____ pay at - ten - tion what - cha do - in' _____

Keep truck - in' on the Eight - fold _____ Path _____ Keep truck - in' on the

45 C

start a - watch - in' what - 'cha say - in' _____ Eight - fold _____ Path _____

Keep truck - in' on the Eight - fold _____ Path _____ Now if it's mor - al where you're

48 B7 C

wor - kin', _____ and you keep your in - ner per - co -

Keep truck - in' on the Eight - fold _____ Path keep your in - ner per - co -

51 Ab9 C A7

la - tor perk - in', add some mind - ful - ness and con - cen - tra - tion in - to that bath _____ and you're

la - tor perk - in'

54 D7 G7 C C

truck - in' on the Eight - fold _____ Path truck - in' on the Eight - fold _____ Path

Now I used to get de - ressed from read - ing
*Ev - en cow - girls with the blues from read - ing

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A7 D7 G7 C

Syl - vi - a Plath__ but now I'm truck - in' on the Eight - fold__ Path
 Syl - vi - a Plath__ are now__ truck - in' on the Eight - fold__ Path`

The image shows a musical score for a guitar. It features a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written on a single staff. Above the staff, the chord progression is indicated as A7, D7, G7, and C. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words underlined to indicate syllables. The lyrics are: 'Syl - vi - a Plath__ but now I'm truck - in' on the Eight - fold__ Path' and 'Syl - vi - a Plath__ are now__ truck - in' on the Eight - fold__ Path`'. The number '58' is written at the beginning of the staff.

TRUCKIN' ON THE EIGHTFOLD PATH

Now all my friends have been concerned about me
 They've been noticin' my tranquility
 The light in my eyes, is quite a surprise
 They wonder if I'm loony
 Or maybe worse, a Moonie
 I reassure 'em I'm not waitin' for some life after death
 I ain't sacrificin' animals or channelin' Seth
 But when I say I meditate observin' my breath
 And tell 'em I'm a Buddhist
 You'd think I'd just said "nudist"
 So here's a simple way ot say without provokin' your wrath
 That I'm truckin' on the Eightfold Path

CHORUS

Number one is right view
 Number two is right intention
 Number three is right speech
 Number four is right action
 Number five is right livelihood
 Number six is right effort
 Right Mindfulness, Right Concentration
 And you're truckin' on the eightfold path
 First you let a bigger view in
 Keep your little thoughts from strayin'
 Pay attention watcha doin'
 And start a-watchin' watcha sayin'
 Now if it's moral where you're workin'
 And you keep your inner percolator perkin'
 Add some mindfulness and concentration into the bath
 And you're truckin' on the eightfold path

Now my relations have been caught off their guards
 'Cause I've been nice to 'em, like sendin' 'em cards
 They can tell on the phone, there's someboyd home
 My ability to focus,
 To them is hocus-pocus
 I reassure 'em my reluctance to ignore or insult
 Ain't no weird initiation rite for some hippie cult
 I say, "Don't worry 'bout the reason, mom, enjoy the result!"
 I don't dig evangelizin',
 Not big on proselytizin'
 So here's a simple way to say with rudimentary math
 That I'm truckin' on the Eightfold Path (CHORUS)