

I Am Changing My Name To Wall Street

(From "I Am Changing My Name To Chrysler," Tom Paxton; New lyrics by ET & the Boy)

Chords (verse): *G C G - | C - G - | D - G E | A - D - |*
 G C G - | C - B7 - | C - G E | A D G - |

Chords (chorus): *G D G - | C - G - | D - G E | A - D - |*
 G C G - | C - B7 - | C - G E | A D G - |

Verse:

Oh the price of milk is rising out of sight
And our mortgage is in sorry shape all right
Now we owe the bankers well more
Than our house would ever sell for
And it looks like they'll foreclose by Friday night
But amid the clouds I spot a shining ray
I begin to glimpse a new and better way
I've devised a plan of action
Worked it down to the last fraction
And I'm going into action here today

Chorus:

I am changing my name to Wall Street
I am going down to Washington D.C.
I will tell the House and Senate
"What you did for those con men, it
Would be perfectly acceptable to me!"
I am changing my name to Wall Street
I am leaving for that great receiving line
When they hand the billion grand out
I'll be standing with my hand out
Yes sir, I'll get mine

Verse:

Just before they repossessed our old TV
I heard the pundits say the blame is all on me
I should have never had the nerve
To think my family might deserve
To buy a home on my pathetic salary
But now the banks and trusts have dropped their
 silver spoon
All the commentators sing a different tune:
"Sure, their choices weren't so smart
But still you gotta have a heart
Bet AIG could use a spa trip honeymoon"

Chorus:

I am changing my name to Wall Street
I am going down to Washington D.C.
I will say to Ben Bernanke:
"Open up that piggy banky
And please helicopter-drop some cash to me!"
I am changing my name to Wall Street
I am leaving for that great receiving line
When they hand the billion grand out
I'll be standing with my hand out
Yes sir, I'll get mine

Verse:

In my household we resolved to mend our ways
We are trying to live within our means these days
Told my spouse she'll have to pray for
Health care that she cannot pay for
And our kid can't go to college 'til it pays
Getting through the winter will be pretty tough
But we figured we were doing the right stuff
Until today the headlines said
That our economy's in the red
Because we aren't spending money fast enough

Chorus:

So I am changing my name to Wall Street
I am going down to Washington D.C.
I'll tell Henry Paulson: "Hank, sir,
I know we've got you to thank, sir,
For this catastrophic opportunity!"
I am changing my name to Wall Street
I am leaving for that great receiving line
When they hand the billion grand out
I'll be standing with my hand out
Yes sir, I'll get mine