Easter Carol

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VERSE 1: (Mary Magdalene from John 20:1)

A E7 A
I'm so very tired but I cannot rest.
A E7 A
I walk to the tomb feeling just emptiness.
D A E
I entered the garden surprised to survey,
D A E
The stone that entombed Him is now rolled away.

VERSE 2: (Mary Magdalene from John 20:2)

A E7 A
John and Simon Peter come now to the grave!
A E7 A
They've stolen our Lord; I don't know where He lay.
D A E
They mocked Him in life, now they mock Him in death.
D A E
They've taken Him once, I can't lose Him again.

INSTRUMENTAL:

A2 A/E A/D X4

VERSE 3: (John and Simon Peter from John 20:3-7)

A E7 A
(John) We ran to the garden, well, I ran, he tried.
A E7 A
(Peter) But that's not important; it's no time for pride.
D A E
(John) My friend, you must see this, there's no one inside,
D A E
(Peter) And only His grave clothes are left here behind.

VERSE 4: (John and Simon Peter from John 20:8-10)

A E7 A
(John) Is this the fulfillment of all that He said?
A E7 A
(Peter) The Scriptures foretold He would rise from the dead.
D A E
(Both) I realize now He was more than a friend.
D A E
(Both) The Savior of all, the Beginning and End.

VERSE 5: (Mary Magdalene from John 20:10-13)

A E7 A
I returned later and stood there and wept,
A E7 A
I saw two bright angels sit inside His crypt.
D A E
They asked why I'm crying and I strained to say,
D A E
"Because they have taken my Jesus away!"

VERSE 6: (Jesus and Mary Magdalene from John 20:14-15)

A E7 A
(Jesus) Woman, why do you weep? What reason to cry?
A E7 A
(Jesus) Who is it that you seek? It's just you and I.
D A E
(Mary) This gardener has taken the One who I seek.
D A E
(Mary) Now tell where you put Him and then we will leave.

INSTRUMENTAL:

E D Dmaj7 E D Dmaj7 E D Dmaj7 E D Dmaj7 //

VERSE 7: (Jesus and Mary Magdalene from John 20:16)

A E7 A
(Jesus) Mary, stop your weeping, there's no need to cry.
A E7 A
(Jesus) The Savior is here if you open your eyes.
D A E
(Mary) My Teacher! Forgive me, I thought you were dead.
D A E
(Mary) For You're not a gardener; You're just who You said.

VERSE 8: (John from John 20:31)

A E7 A
This is the story for all to believe,
A E7 A
That Jesus, Messiah is risen indeed.
D A E
Now go tell your brothers—and do not delay—
D A E
That He is the Life and the Truth and the Way.
D A E (A)
That He is the Life and the Truth and the Way.