

The Cross Is Higher

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Key: Ab
Song Flow: 1,C,2,C

Fm7 | D♭ | A♭ | E♭^{sus4} E♭ |

1 Verse 1:

Fm7
The sun beats down on my misdeeds,
D♭
In darkness there is one who sees,
A♭
The great accuser charges me
E♭^{sus4} E♭
And I have no excuse.

Fm7
My secret thoughts are overheard
D♭
And measured by your holy word,
A♭
My ruined conscience you observe
E♭^{sus4} E♭
And I have no excuse.

E♭ Fm E♭/G E♭ D♭
Father, I have sinned
E♭ Fm E♭/G E♭ D♭
But you will not condemn.

C Chorus:

A♭
The cross is higher
E♭^{sus4} E♭
Than all the law required.
Fm
See the mountain of my ugliness
D♭
Levelled by your grace.
A♭
The cross is higher,
E♭^{sus4} E♭
Your life is mine forever,
Fm
I am covered by your loveliness

D \flat
And run to your embrace,
A \flat E \flat D \flat
The cross is higher.

2 Verse 2:

Fm⁷
My every day confirms my guilt-
D \flat
What I have done, what I have willed,
A \flat
But at the cross your blood was spilled,
E \flat sus⁴ E \flat
So I need never hide.
Fm⁷
And now I mourn unrighteousness
D \flat
For every sin brought pain and death,
A \flat
In love you gave your final breath
E \flat sus⁴ E \flat
To call me to your side.
E \flat Fm E \flat /G E \flat D \flat
Father, I have sinned
E \flat Fm E \flat /G E \flat D \flat
But you will not condemn.