

# THE LONGEST TIME

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[G] Whoa, [D] oh [G] oh [C] oh, [D7] for the longest [G] time  
[D] Whoa [G] oh [C] oh, [D7] for the longest...

[G] If you said good-[C]bye to me to-[G]night  
[G] There would still be [A7] music left to [D] write  
[B7] What else could [Em] I do?  
[D7] I'm so in-[G]spired by you  
[C] That hasn't [Am] happened for the [D] longest [G] time

[G] Once I thought my [C] innocence was [G] gone  
[G] Now I know that [A7] happiness goes [D] on  
[B7] That's where you [Em] found me  
[D7] When you put your [G] arms around me  
[C] I haven't [Am] been there for the [D] longest [G] time

[G] Whoa, [D] oh [G] oh [C] oh, [D7] for the longest [G] time  
[D] Whoa [G] oh [C] oh, [D7] for the longest...

[G] I'm that voice you're [C] hearing in the [G] hall  
[G] And the greatest [A7] miracle of [D] all  
[B7] Is how I [Em] need you  
[D7] And how you [G] needed me too  
[C] That hasn't [Am] happened for the [D] longest [G] time

[D] Maybe this won't [Em] last very long  
But [F#] you feel so right, and [G] I could be wrong  
[D] Maybe I've been [Em] hoping too hard  
But [A] I've gone this [A7] far and it's [D] more than I hoped for

[G] Who knows how much [C] further we'll go [G] on?  
Maybe I'll be [A7] sorry when you're [D] gone  
[B7] I'll take my [Em] chances  
[D7] I forgot how [G] nice romance is  
[C] I haven't [Am] been there for the [D] longest [G] time

**[D]** I had second **[Em]** thoughts at the start  
 I **[F#]** said to myself hold **[G]** on to your heart  
**[D]** Now I know the **[Em]** woman that you are  
 You're **[A]** wonderful so **[A7]** far and it's  
**[D]** more than I hoped for

**[G]** I don't care what **[C]** consequence it **[G]** brings  
**[G]** I have been a **[A7]** fool for lesser **[D]** things  
**[B7]** I want **[Em]** you so bad  
**[D7]** I think you **[G]** ought to know that  
**[C]** I intend to **[Am]** hold you for the **[D]** longest **[G]** time

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