

Dem Bones ("Dry Bones") (D)

James Weldon Johnson & John Rosamond Johnson, before 1928

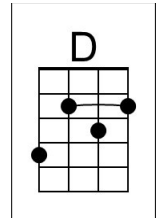
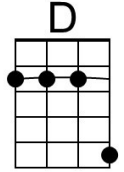
The lyrics were inspired by Ezekiel 37:1–14

[Dem Bones](#) by Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians (1947) (Video)

[Dem Dry Bones](#) by the Delta Rhythm Boys (1950)

[Dry Bones](#) by The Four Lads (1968) -- [Dem Bones](#) by Gospel Harmony Quartet (1981)

*This is a good song for using Barre Chords.
Optional chord voicing for C-Tuning: 333x – G Tuning: x232*



Instrumental Intro

D **A7** **D**
Oh, hear the word of the Lord.

D **A7** **D**
E-ze-kiel cried "Dem Dry Bones!" E-ze-kiel cried, "Dem Dry Bones!"
D **G** **D** **A7** **D**
E-ze-kiel cried, "Dem Dry Bones!" Oh, hear the word of the Lord.

D **D#**
The foot bone connected to the leg bone. The leg bone connected to the knee bone.
E **F**
The knee bone connected to the thigh bone. The thigh bone connected to the back bone.
F# **G**
The back bone connected to the neck bone. The neck bone connected to the head bone.
G **D7** **G**
Oh, hear the word of the lord.

G **D7** **G**
Dem bones, dem bones, gonna walk aroun'. Dem bones, dem bones, gonna walk aroun'.
G **C** **G** **D7** **G**
Dem bones, dem bones, gonna walk aroun', Oh, hear the word of the Lord

G **Gb**
The head bone connected to the neck bone. The neck bone connected to the back bone.
F **E**
The back bone connected to the thigh bone. The thigh bone connected to the knee bone.
Eb **D**
The knee bone connected to the leg bone. The leg bone connected to the foot bone.
D **A7** **D**
Oh, hear the word of the Lord.

D **A7** **D**
Dem bones, dem bones, gonna walk aroun'. Dem bones, dem bones, gonna walk aroun'.
D **G** **D** **A7** **D**
Dem bones, dem bones, gonna walk aroun', Oh, hear the word of the Lord

D **D** **A7** **G** | **D** **D** **D** **A7** ↓ | **D** ↓
Oh, hear _ the word of the Lord.

["Dry Bones"](#) is a separate although similar folk song.