**Suddenly It’s Christmas** Loudon Wainwright III

Intro: G7 C G C D G D7 / G

It's still not over till it's over, and you throw away the tree!

G/ G/ C

Suddenly it's Christmas right after Hallo-we'en

G D

Forget about Thanks-giving; It's just a buffet in between

D G C

There's lights and tinsel in the windows, they're stocking up the shelves

G C D G

Santa's slaving at the North Pole in his sweatshop full of elves

G C

There's got to be a build-up to the day that Christ was born

G D

The halls are decked with pumpkins and ears of Indian corn

G C

Dragging through the falling leaves in a one-horse open sleigh

G C D G G7

Suddenly it's Christmas, seven weeks be-fore the day

C / / / / / / /

Suddenly it's Christmas- the longest holiday

G D

When they say "Season's Greetings," they mean just what they say

G C

It's a season, it's a marathon, retail eternity

G C D G

And it's not over till it's over, and you throw away the tree

G C

Outside it's positively balmy, in the air, nary a nip;

G D

Suddenly it's Christmas, unbuttoned and un-zipped

G C

Yes, they're working overtime, Santa's little runts;

C G C D G

Christmas comes but once a year and goes on for two months

G C

Christmas carols in December, and November, too;

G D

It's no wonder we're depressed when the whole thing is through

G C

Finally it's January, let's sing "Auld Lang Syne"

G C D G G7

But here comes another heartache, shaped like a Valen-tine

C / / / / / / / G D

Suddenly it's Christmas- the longest holiday -, the season is upon us: a pox, it won't go away

G C G C D G

It's a season, it's a marathon, retail eterni-ty, and it's not over till it's over and you throw away the tree

G7 C G C D G

No, it's not over till it's over, and you throw away the tree;

G7 C G C D G D7 / / G /

It's still not over till it's over, and you throw away the tree!

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