

E Ku`u Morning Dew

Lyrics by Larry Lindsey Kimura; Music by Eddie Kamae (1973)

Intro: Ddim C D7 G (last line)

Tempo: 75/80/85

Ddim Am7 D7 G
E ku`u morning dew | alia mai | alia mai

My morning dew, wait a moment

Ddim Am7 D7 G
Maliu mai `oe | i ka`u | e hea nei

Pay attention to what I call out

Ddim Am7 D7 G
E kali mai `oe | ia`u nei | ia`u nei

Wait for me, for me

Ddim C D7 G
`O wau iho no | me ke | aloha

I remain yours with love

Ddim Am7 D7 G
Wehe mai ke alaula | `oliliko | nei lihau

Dawn breaks and the wet dew sparkles

Ddim Am7 D7 G
E ho`ohehelo ana | i neia | papalina

Causing a rosy color on these cheeks

Ddim Am7 D7 G
I uka o Mana | i ka`iu | uhiwai

Up at Mana in the mist-shrouded highland

Ddim C D7 G
Ma laila no k`aua | e pili | mau ai

There, you and I will remain forever

End: Ddim C D7 G
Ma laila no k`aua | e pili | mau ai

There, you and I will remain forever

English lyrics as recorded by Don Ho (*Hawaiian Favorites*, 1999):

Ddim Am7 D7 G
To you alone I say | wait for me | wait for me

Ddim Am7 D7 G
The hours go slowly by | without you | close to me

Ddim Am7 D7 G
I'm standing on a hill | looking down | all around

Ddim C D7 G
Awaiting your return | to me | once more

Ddim Am7 D7 G
I thought of moving on | packed my bags | on my way

Ddim Am7 D7 G
I gazed upon that poem | you gave me | yesterday

Ddim Am7 D7 G
There's no one else to see | so I know | it's time to go

Ddim C D7 G
I'm going along my way | alone | once more

Ddim: 1212

A-2-2-2-2-3-0-----0-2-3-0-0--0-5-5--0-2-3-2-----0-2-3-0-0-----0-----
E-----0-0-3-2-----0-----3-----3-----0-3-2--0-----0--2--2-3-3-
C-----0-0-2--2-----2-----2-----0-2-----0-2-----
G-----4-4----- (Low G)

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