

The Word Still Stands

Dark Country Gospel – Duet
Key: Am (capo 2 for easier singing if needed)

[Intro]

Am | F | C | G

[Verse 1 – Jaxson]

Am F
Midnight on the prairie, wind cuttin' through the bone
C G
I held that old black book like it was the only thing I owned
Am F
Pages thin as whispers, words older than the dust
C G
They said the truth got buried, that the fire turned to rust
Am F
But I can feel the weight of every line that still remains
C G
Carried through the ages on the breath that never changed

[Verse 1 – Savannah]

Am F
I walked through the questions, the scholars and the night
C G
Wondered if the letters faded when they left the candlelight
Am F
They told me time is cruel and every copy wears away
C G
But something in these pages wouldn't let the darkness stay
Am F
I heard the Spirit movin' like a wind across the page
C G
Holy men of old spoke, and the Word refused the grave

[Chorus – Both]

Am F
It's God-breathed and unbroken
C G
Inerrant from the start
Am F
The Old and New still speaking
C G
Straight into the heart

Am F
Not one word was lost in the fire or the flood
C G Am
The Word still stands...
F G Am
Yeah, the Word still stands

[Verse 2 – Jaxson]

Am F
Dead Sea caves and broken scrolls, a thousand years of night
C G
They opened up the Isaiah scroll and the light was still as bright
Am F
Five thousand Greek manuscripts, ink that wouldn't fade
C G
Closer to the day they wrote it than the critics ever claimed
Am F
No doctrine ever trembled, no gospel ever fell
C G
The same voice that formed the stars still speaks and all is well

[Verse 2 – Savannah]

Am F
When the night gets heavy and my faith feels paper-thin
C G
I open to the promises that outlived every sin
Am F
It makes the simple wise, it cuts the proud down to the bone
C G
Complete for my salvation, the only rule I've known
Am F
It's the light in every shadow, the anchor in the storm
C G
The only voice that never lies when everything else is worn

[Chorus – Both]

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[Bridge – Trading lines]

Dm Am
Jaxson: No prophecy of private will...
F G
Savannah: Men spoke as they were carried...
Dm Am
Jaxson: Every Scripture God-breathed still...
F G
Savannah: Equips the soul that's weary...
Dm Am
Both: Through every storm and every age
F G
The same true Word remains

[Final Chorus – Both] (build, then pull back)

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C G
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Am F
The Old and New still speaking
C G
Straight into the heart
Am F
Not one word was lost in the fire or the flood
C G Am
The Word still stands...
F G Am
Oh, the Word still stands

[Outro – Soft, almost spoken]

Am F
Jaxson: Heaven and earth will pass away...
C G
Savannah: But this Word will never fade...
Am F G Am
Both: The Word still stands.

Chord Legend (simple open shapes):

Am – x02210

F – 133211 (or xx3211)

C – x32010

G – 320003

Dm – xx0231

Suggested feel: Slow-medium tempo, sparse acoustic guitar with light fingerpicking on verses, full strums on the choruses. Harmonica or low pedal steel on the intro and between sections works beautifully for the dark country gospel mood.