

# Jim Croce, It Doesn't Have To Be That Way

Snowy nights and Christmas lights,  
Icy windowpanes,  
Make me wish that we could be  
Together again  
And the windy winter avenues  
Just don't seem the same,  
And the Christmas carols sound like blues,  
But the choir is not to blame

But it doesn't have to be that way  
What we had should never have ended  
I'll be dropping by today  
We could easily get it together tonight  
It's only right

Crowded stores, the corner Santa Claus,  
Tinsel'd afternoons,  
And the sidewalk bands play their songs  
Slightly out of tune  
Down the windy winter avenues  
There walks a lonely man,  
And if I told you who he is,  
Well I think you'd understand

But it doesn't have to be that way  
What we had should never have ended  
I'll be dropping by today  
We could easily get it together tonight  
It's only right

No, it doesn't have to be that way  
What we had should never have ended  
I'll be dropping by today  
We could easily get it together tonight  
It's only right