

# And So It Goes

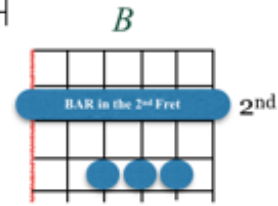
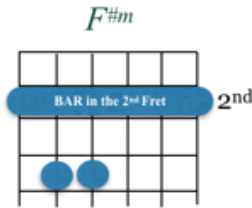
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 Sing along with John Denver & the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band @ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oGH1diHvBwA>

*E* *A* *E*  
 A mansion on a hill is a lovely sight to see,

*A* *E* *F#m* *B*  
 But like any other house, it's only temporary.

*E* *A* *E*  
 Home is anywhere you choose to put your heart.

*A* *E* *F#m* *B*  
 If there's no love inside, it will soon fall apart



## CHORUS

*A* *E* *B* *E*  
 Ashes to ashes, dust into dust;

*A* *E* *F#m* *B*  
 1<sup>st</sup> Chorus: Buildings will crumble, bridges will rust,  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Chorus: Palaces will crumble, bridges will rust,  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Chorus: Kingdoms will crumble, bridges will rust,

*A* *E* *A*  
 Mountains will disappear, rivers will dry up.

*F#m* *B* *E*  
 And so it goes with everything but love;

*F#m* *A* *B* *E*  
 So it go - es, with everything but love. [x2 on the 2nd CHORUS & x3 on the last]

*E* *A* *E*  
 You can drive around in a long limousine.

*A* *E* *F#m* *B*  
 If you don't know where you're goin', it don't mean a thing.

*E* *A* *E*  
 He who walks a mile just to hold an empty hand,

*A* *E* *F#m* *B*  
 Knows what it means, to be a wealthy man.

## CHORUS

### BRIDGE

*A* *B* *E* *A* *B* *E*  
 Worldly treasures will all pass away.

*A* *B* *Cm/G* *F#m* *B*  
 There's just one thing, put here to stay.



## CHORUS

# Scripture and History

**Genesis 3:19** By the sweat of your face You will eat bread, till you return to the ground, Because from it you were taken; For you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

**Genesis 18:27** And Abraham replied, "Now behold, I have ventured to speak to the Lord, although I am but dust and ashes.

**Matthew 6:19-21** [quoth Jesus] "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and decay destroy, and thieves break in and steal. But store up treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor decay destroys, nor thieves break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."



"**And So It Goes**" was written by Paul Overstreet and Don Schlitz, and recorded by the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band with John Denver. It was released in



Don Schlitz

March 1989 as the second single from the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band's album *Will the Circle Be Unbroken: Volume Two*. The song peaked at number 14 on the Billboard Hot Country Singles chart and reached number 29 on the RPM Country Tracks chart in Canada.



Paul Overstreet

**Don Schlitz** was born and raised in

Durham, North Carolina. He briefly attended Duke University before moving to Nashville in 1973.

His first recorded song, *The Gambler*, won a Grammy and the Country Music Association's and the Academy of Country Music's Song of the Year.

Don's songs have played major roles in the careers of Kenny Rogers, Randy Travis, The Judds, The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Tanya Tucker, Mary Chapin Carpenter, Alison Krauss, and many other singers. His fifty Top Ten's have included twenty-four Number One's.

He also wrote the music and lyrics for the Broadway musical "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer".

Don was the ASCAP Country Songwriter of the Year for four consecutive years from 1988-91. He has won three CMA Song of the Year awards, two ACM Song of the Year awards, two Grammy's, and many more nominations. He was inducted into the Nashville Songwriters Association's Hall of Fame in 1993. In 2007, Don was presented the ASCAP Creative Achievement Award.

*Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame, 1993*

**Paul Lester Overstreet** (born March 17, 1955) is an American country music singer and songwriter. He recorded 10 studio albums between 1982 and 2005, and charted 16 singles on the *Billboard* country charts, including two No. 1 hits. He has also written singles for several other country acts, including No. 1 hits for Randy Travis, Blake Shelton and Keith Whitley, as well as hits for The Judds and Kenny Chesney.

*Wikipedia*

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