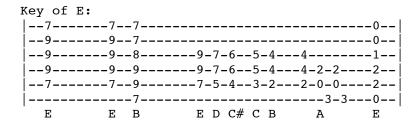# Nobody's Fault But Mine
(original Blind Willie Johnson version)

Words & Music:
Joseph "Blind Willie" Johnson
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Key of E:
|--7-------7--7----------------------------0--|
|--9-------9--7----------------------------0--|
|--9-------9--8-------9-7-6--5-4---4--------1--|
|--9-------9--9-------9-7-6--5-4---4-2-2----2--|
|--7-------7--9-------7-5-4--3-2---2-0-0----2--|
|-------------7----------------------3-3---0--|
   E       E  B     E D C# C B      A       E
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E                                             B
Nobody's fault but mine.  It's nobody's fault but mine.
   E       D       C#       C     B     A       E
If I don't read my soul gets lost; nobody's fault but mine.

Had a Bible in my hand, had a Bible in my arm
If I don't read my soul gets lost; nobody's fault but mine.

My mother taught me how to read, my mother taught me how to read.
If I don't read my soul gets lost; nobody's fault but mine.

My mother taught me how to sing, y daddy taught me how to play.
If I don't play & sing all night long, it's nobody's fault but mine.
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Led Zeppelin Cover:

Originally tabbed by Charles Eric Horowitz with additions by Jimmy Pena.

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[Intro] /w phaser (doubled by two guitars playing [Intro2])

e:------------------------------|------------------------------------|
B:-15p12-12-15p12-12-15-15b17~---|-15p12-12-15p12-12------------------|
G:------------------------------|-------------------12-14b16~---------|
D:------------------------------|------------------------------------|
A:------------------------------|------------------------------------|
E:------------------------------|------------------------------------|


e:-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
B:-15p12-12-15~---15b17---15-12-------|------------------------------------|
G:----------------------------14p12|-14p13-13-14p13-13-14-14b16r14--|
D:-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
A:-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
E:-----------------------------|------------------------------------|


e:-------------------|
B:-------------------|
G:-13----------------|
D:----14~------------|
A:-------------------|
E:-------------------|

[Intro2] also /w phaser

e:------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
B:--3p0-0-3p0-0-3--3b5~---|-3p0-0-3p0-0----------|-3p0-0-3~--3b5--3-0-|
G:------------------------|-------------0--2b4~--|-------------------|
D:------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
A:------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
E:------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|


e:------|---------------------------------------------------------|
B:------|---------------------------------------------------------|
G:-2p0~-|-2p1-1-2p1-1-2--2b4r2--1---1~----------------------------|
D:------|-----------------------------2~--------------------------|
A:------|-----------------------------2~--------------------------|
E:------|-----------------------------0~--------------------------|

[Riff 1]

e:---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
B:---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
G:----------7----------------|----------7---------------------------|
D:--9p7-----7----------------|---9p7--7--7------------2~------------|
A:--7p5--7--5p2--2------------|---7p5--5--5----0-------0~------------|
E:-----------------3b---0~----|-------------------3b---------------|

[Riff 2]

e:-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
B:-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
G:-----------------------|------------------------2~------------|
D:-2p0-0-----------------|--2p0-0-----------------2~------------|
A:-------2p0--------------|--------2p0--0--------0~--------------|
E:----------0---3b---0~---|----------------3b4-------------------|

[Riff 3] Freely

e:--------------------|--------------------------------------------|
B:--------------------|----------------------9-9-10-10--9-10---|
G:-7-----7-7-----9-x-x-9-|--7-----7---7---------9--9-9--9--9--9--9---|
D:-7-----7-7---9-9-x-x-9-|--7-----7---7---------11--9-9-11-11--9-11---|
A:-5-0-0-5-0-0-7-7-x-x-7-|--5-0-0-5-0-0--10-11---------------------|
E:-------------0--------|--------------------------------------------|
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Song progression:
Fade into [Intro] and [Intro2] (/w phaser!) played FOUR times
Repeat lyrics two times, with [Intro] and [Intro2]

Aah aah aah aah. Aah aah aah aah.
Aah aah, aah aah aah aah aah. Aah aah aah ah ah ah aah. *[phaser off]*

[Riff 1] x1 - [Riff 3] x2 - [Riff 3] x1 /w lyrics:

Oh, nobody's fault but mine, oh, nobody's fault but mine, yeah.
[strum]
   E   F#5   G5   A5
     tryin' to save my soul, Delilah, oh, it's nobody's fault but mine.

[Riff 2] x1 - [Riff 3] x2 - [Riff 3] x1 /w lyrics:

Devil he taught me to roll, the Devil he taught me to roll,
[strum]
   E   F#5   G5   A5
     how to roll the log, Delilah, oh it's nobody's fault but mine.

[Riff 2] x1 - [Riff 1] x1
*Repeat lyrics *three* times, with [Intro] and [Intro2] (and phaser)*

Aah aah aah aah. Aah aah aah aah.
Aah aah, aah aah aah aah aah. Aah aah aah ah ah ah aah. *[phaser off]*

[Riff 1] x2
During Harmonica solo, guitar plays: [Riff 3] x9 1/2 times freely
[Riff 3] x1 /w lyrics:

Brother he showed me the gong, brother he showed me the ding-dong, ding-dong,
[strum]
   E   F#5   G5   A5
     how to kick that gong, Delilah, oh, it's nobody's fault but mine.

[Riff 2] x1 - [Riff 3] x2 - [Riff 3] x1 /w lyrics:
Gotta monkey on my back, a m-m-m-m-monkey on my back back, back, back.
[strum]
   E   F#5   G5   A5
     Vow to change my ways Delilah. Nobody's fault but mine.

[Guitar Solo]

Rhythm for guitar solo is: [Riff 1] x2, then [Riff 3] x8

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e:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
B:---------------3~--------------------------------------------------|
G:--2b4r3b4~---------2b3r2b3r2p0------0~~----0b2r0b2r0----------------|
D:------------------------------------2------------------2~----------|
A:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
                                        /\
                         (bend the open note behind the nut)

e:-------3-----3----5h6---5--3---5--3-----3--------------------------|
B:-----3---5~----5--------------------5-----------------------------|
G:-2h4--------------------------------------------------------9~-----|
D:---------------------------------------------------9h11---------|
A:-----------------------------------------------7h11--------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|

e:-------------------------------------------12-9----9---------------|
B:---------------------------------------12---12-9--------12-|
G:-11b13r11b13r11p9----11--9----9~-----------------------11b13-----|
D:-------------------------11----11---------------------------------|
A:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|

e:-9----9------------------------------------------------------------|
B:---12---12~-9-----------------------------------12b14r12b14~----|
G:--------------11--11b13--11-9----9-9----9~-9----------------------|
D:-----------------------11-----11------11--------------------------|
A:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|

e:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
B:-12--11b12---10---------10------------------12b14r12b14~------12--|
G:---------------12b14------12-11-9-9~--9---------------------------|
D:----------------------------------------11-----------------------|
A:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|

e:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
B:--9----9~--x--10-------11b12------11b12-----11b12------11b12--------|
G:----11---------9----------------x---------x---------x---------x----|
D:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
A:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|

e:-------------------------------------------------12---------------|
B:-11b12------11b12-------------------------12-----15b17~~--------|
G:---------x----------x--x---9----9----9--11h13--------------------|
D:-------------------------------11---11---------------------------|
A:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|

e:-15.---------15.---------15--------------15.---------15.----------|
B:----15b17------15b17------15---------------15b17-------15b17r15---|
G:--------------------------------14b15r14------------------------|
D:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
A:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
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e:-------------------------------------12-----------------------------|
B:-12-------------------------------------------15~---------12-12-15---------|
G:----14b15----12-14-12b13------12h13---------12s13----------------|
D:---------------------------------14---------------------------------|
A:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|


e:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
B:-------12-12-15~-----------------------------------------------9---|
G:-12s13-----------14b16r14b16r14-----------9--9----9---11b13-------|
D:-----------------------------------14-x---------11----------------|
A:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|


e:-9-----------------------------------------------14b16----14--12~---|
B:----12p9-12p9----9------------------------12-------------------|
G:--------------11---11p9-11p9----9----9-11s13-----------------|
D:--------------------------11---11-------------------------------|
A:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|


e:-12------------12--14b16----14--12----12--------12--14b16----------|
B:----15------12------------------15---------12---------------|
G:---------13------------------------------x-----------------|
D:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
A:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|


e:-14b16r14---12---12~---12p9-----------------------------------------|
B:---------------x-----------12-9-----------------------10-----------|
G:--------------------------------9----11----9----9-11-9--9~~----|
D:-------------------------11---11----11---11----------------|
A:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
E:-------------------------------------------------------------------|
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*Repeat lyrics *two and one half* times, with [Intro] and [Intro2] (& phaser)*

Aah aah aah aah,
Aah aah aah aah.
Aah aah, aah aah aah aah aah,
Aah aah aah ah ah ah aah.

[phaser off]

[strum]
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  E               F#5     G5      A5
  I will get down rollin' tonight.  N-n-n-n-n-n-n nobody's fault...
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OUTRO:
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e:--------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
B:--------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
G:--7------7-7---7--9~---|-----------------------------------------------|
D:--7------7-7---7--9~---|--9s7--7--7s4--4--4s2--2---------------------|
A:--5-0-0-5-0-0-5--7~---|--7s5--5--5s2--2--2p0--0---5-5-5--2-2-2-2---|
E:--------------------|-----------------------3-3-3--0-0-0-0---|
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