

Be Prepared

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Trustworthily, loyally, helpfully, friendly, etc.

mf *cresc. poco a poco*

dim.

G13 *C* *G dim*

1. Be pre - pared! _____ That's the Boy Scouts' march-ing song, Be pre-
2. Be pre -)pared! _____ That's the Boy Scouts' sol-emn creed, Be pre-

mf

G7 *C*

pared! _____ As through life you march a - long. Be pre - pared to hold your
pared! _____ And be clean in word and deed. Don't so - lic - it for your

E7 A9 D7

li - quor pret - ty well. Don't write
 sis - ter, that's not nice, Un - less you naugh - ty words on
 get a good per -

G9 G7+ C

walls if you can't spell. Be pre - pared! To hide that
 cent - age of her price. Be pre - pared! And be

G dim G7

pack of cig - a - rettes, Don't make book if you
 care - ful not to do Your good deeds when there's

C G7/C C7

can not cov - er bets. Keep those reef - ers hid - den where you're sure that
 no - one watch - ing you. If you're look - ing for ad - ven - ture of a

F C7 F Cm6 D A7/D D7

they will not be found, And be care-ful not to smoke them when the
 new and dif-f'rent kind, And you come a - cross a Girl Scout who is

G D7 G G7 C F

scout-mas-ter's a - round, For he on - ly will in - sist that they be
 si-mi-lar-ly in - clined, Don't be ner-ous, don't be flus-tered, don't be

cresc.

D7 Fm6 G7 C F C F6

shared. Be pre - pared!
 scared. Be pre - pared!

1 C G dim G7 2 C Fm6 C

2. Be pre -

dim. mf ff