

LIGHT ONE CANDLE

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① ^G ^{C₄} ^G ^{C₄}
Light one candle for the Maccabee children

^F ^{C₂} ^C ^{F₄} ^{E_m}
With thanks that their light didn't die

^C ^{C₂} ^C ^{C₂}
Light one candle for the pain they endured

^F ^{B₇}
When their right to exist was denied

^{E_m} ^{E_m} ^A ^{E_m} / ^R ^B ^G ^T
Light one candle for the terrible sacrifice

^C ^G ^{E_m} ^G ^{F_m}
Justice and freedom demand

^{E_m} ^C ^D ^G ^{B₇} ^E
But light one candle for the wisdom to know

When the peacemaker's time is at hand

chorus:

^E ^{A_m}
Don't let the light go out!

^D ^G ^{B₇} ^E ^V ^N ^I ^S ^O ^N
It's lasted for so many years!

^E ^{A_m}
Don't let the light go out!

^D ^G ^{B₇} ^{E_m}
Let it shine through our love and our tears.

② ^G ^{C₄} ^G ^{C₄}
Light one candle for the strength that we need

^G ^{G₄} ^{E_m}
To never become our own foe

^C ^{G₂} ^C ^{C₂}
And light one candle for those who are suffering

^C ^{B₇}
Pain we learned so long ago

^{E_m} ^{F_m} ^D
Light one candle for all we believe in

^C ^A
That anger not tear us apart

^G ^{E_m} ^G
And light one candle to find us together

^E ^D ^D ^G ^{B₇} ^E
With peace as the song in our hearts

chorus:

^{E_n} ^{A_m}
Don't let the light go out!

^D ^{G B₇ E}
It's lasted for so many years!

^E ^{A_m}
Don't let the light go out!

^D
Let it shine through our love and our tears.

^{G B₇ E_m} / Repeat

^G ^{G₄} ^G ^{G₄}
What is the memory that's valued so highly
That we keep it alive in that flame?

^{E_m}
What's the commitment to those who have died

^{B₇}
That we cry out they've not died in vain?

^{E_m} ^{E_m}
We have come this far always believing

^A
That justice would somehow prevail

^{E_m} ^{E_m}
This is the burden, this is the promise

^C ^D ^{G B₇ E_m}
This is why we will not fail!

chorus:

^{E_n} ^{A_m}
Don't let the light go out!

^D ^{G B₇ E}
It's lasted for so many years!

^E ^{A_m}
Don't let the light go out!

^D
Let it shine through our love and our tears.

^{G B₇ E_m} / Repeat, ^{E_m}

^E ^{A_m}
Don't let the light go out!

^E ^{A_m}
Don't let the light go out!

^E ^{A_m}
Don't let the light go out!