

## Son of a Preacher Man (© john hurley / ronnie wilkins)

**E**

Billy-ray was a preacher's son

**A**

**E**

And when his daddy would visit he'd come along  
When they gathered round and started talking

**B7**

That's when Billy would take me walking  
A-through the back yard we'd go walking  
Then he'd look into my eyes  
Lord knows to my surprise

**E**

**The only one who could ever reach me**

**A**

**E**

**Was the son of a preacher man**

**The only boy who could ever teach me**

**A**

**E**

**Was the son of a preacher man**

**B7 A**

**E**

**Yes he was, he was, mmm, yes he was**  
(count 4)

**E**

Being good isn't always easy

**A**

**E**

No matter how hard I try  
When he started sweet-talking to me

**B7**

He'd come and tell me everything is all right  
He'd kiss and tell me everything is all right  
Can I get away again tonight?

**Optional CHORUS**

*Optional Instrumental verse*

**CHORUS with key change .....**

**E**

**The only one who could ever reach me**

**A** **E**  
Was the son of a preacher man  
The only boy who could ever teach me

**A** **E**  
Was the son of a preacher man

**B7** **A** **D**  
Yes he was, he was, mmm, Lord knows he was  
(count 2)

**D**  
How well I remember

**A**  
The look that was in his eyes  
Stealing kisses from me on the sly

**B7**  
Taking time to make time  
Telling me that he's all mine

**E7**  
Learning from each others knowing  
Looking to see how much we've grown

**A**  
The only one who could ever reach me

**D** **A**  
Was the son of a preacher man  
The only boy who could ever teach me

**D** **A**  
Was the son of a preacher man

**A** **E** **D7** **A** **E** **D7**  
Yes he was, he was, oh Yes he was, he was, oh

**A** **E** **D7** **A**  
Yes he was, he was, oh.....oh yes was