Eric Clapton – There's One in Every Crown (1975)



- 01. We've Been Told (Jesus Is Coming Soon) (Traditional, arr.by Eric Clapton) 4:22
- 02. Swing Low Sweet Chariot (Traditional, arr.by Eric Clapton) 3:29
- 03. Little Rachel (Jim Byfield) 4:05
- 04. Don't Blame Me (Eric Clapton/George Terry) 3:32
- 05. The Sky Is Crying (Elmore James) 3:56
- 06. Singin' The Blues (Mary McCreary) 3:24
- 07. Better Make It Through Today (Clapton) 4:03
- 08. Pretty Blue Eyes (Clapton) 4:42
- 09. High (Clapton) 3:29
- 10. Opposites (Clapton) 4:44

Personnel:

- Eric Clapton lead vocals, electric & acoustic guitars, dobro
- George Terry electric & acoustic guitars, group vocals
- Jamie Oldaker drums, percussion
- Dick Sims organ, piano, electric piano
- Carl Radle electric bass, electric guitar
- Yvonne Elliman lead female vocals, group vocals
- Marcy Levy group vocals

Having stayed out of the recording studio for four years prior to making his comeback album, 461 Ocean Boulevard, Eric Clapton returned to recording only a few months later to make its follow-up, There's One in Every Crowd. Perhaps be hadn't had time to write or gather sufficient material to make a similarly effective album, since the result is a scatter-shot mixture of styles, leading off with two gospel tunes, one a reggae version of "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot." Clapton and his second guitarist, George Terry, had written a sequel to "I Shot The Sheriff," "Don't Blame Me," which Clapton sang in his best impersonation of Bob Marley's voice. The other originals included "Opposites," whose lyrics were just that -- day, night, life, death, etc. The

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album's best track, naturally, was the blues cover, Clapton's take on Elmore James's "The Sky Is Crying." But There's One in Every Crowd was a disappointing follow-up to 461 Ocean Boulevard, and fans let Clapton know it: While the former album had topped the charts and gone gold, the latter didn't even make the Top 10. ---William Ruhlmann, AllMusic Review

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