Songs of Sorrow and Death

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Lunchtime Concert

Suzanne – Leonard Cohen D////Em////D///F#m//G//D/ /Em//D//Em//D//F#m//G// D//Em//D

Suzanne takes you down to her place near the river You can hear the boats go by You can spend the night beside her And you know that she's half crazy, But that's why you want to be there And she feeds you tea and oranges That come all the way from China And just when you mean to tell her That you have no love to give her Then she gets you on her wavelength And she lets the river answer That you've always been her lover And you want to travel with her And you want to travel blind And you know that she will trust you For you've

touched her perfect body with your mind.

And Jesus was a sailor When he walked upon the water And he spent a long time watching From his lonely wooden tower And when he knew for certain Only drowning men could see him He said "All men will be sailors then Until the sea shall free them" But he himself was broken Long before the sky would open Forsaken, almost human He sank beneath your wisdom like a stone And you want to travel with him And you want to travel blind And you think maybe you'll trust him For he's touched your perfect body with his mind.

Now Suzanne takes your hand And she leads you to the river She is wearing rags and feathers From Salvation Army counters And the sun pours down like honey On our lady of the harbour And she shows you where to look Among the garbage and the flowers There are heroes in the seaweed There are children in the morning They are leaning out for love And they will lean that way forever While Suzanne holds the mirror And you want to travel with her And you want to travel blind And you know that you can trust her For she's touched your perfect body with her mind.

Sisters of Mercy GCGD/GCG/BmF#mBmF#m/D / CGF7Em/ D/ GCGD7/G D

Oh the sisters of mercy, they are not departed or gone. They were waiting for me when I thought that I just can't go on. And they brought me their comfort and later they brought me this song. Oh I hope you run into them, you who've been travelling so long.

Yes you who must leave everything that you cannot control. It begins with your

family, but soon it comes around to your soul. Well I've been where you're hanging, I think I can see how you're pinned: When you're not feeling holy, your loneliness says that you've sinned.

Well they lay down beside me, I made my confession to them. They touched both my eyes and I touched the dew on their hem. If your life is a leaf that the seasons tear off and condemn they will bind you with love that is graceful and green as a stem.

When I left they were sleeping, I hope you run into them soon. Don't turn on the lights, you can read their address by the moon. And you won't make me jealous if I hear that they sweetened your night: We weren't lovers like that and besides it would still be all right. We weren't lovers like that and besides it would still be all right.

So Long Marianne

G Am C G F C Em D

G Em D G

Come over to the window, my little darling, I'd like to try to read your palm. I used to think I was some kind of Gypsy boy before I let you take me home.

Chorus: Now so long, Marianne, it's time that we began to laugh and cry and cry and laugh about it all again.

Well you know that I love to live with you, but you make

Hey, That's No Way To Say Goodbye

G/// Em///C/// G///Em///C/// D/// GDG

I loved you in the morning, our kisses deep and warm, your hair upon the pillow like a sleepy golden storm, yes, many loved before us, I know that we are not new, in city and in forest they smiled like me and you, but now it's come to distances and both of us must try, your eyes are soft

me forget so very much. I forget to pray for the angels and then the angels forget to pray for us.

We met when we were almost young deep in the green lilac park. You held on to me like I was a crucifix, as we went kneeling through the dark.

Your letters they all say that you're beside me now. Then why do I feel alone? I'm standing on a ledge and your fine spider web is fastening my ankle to a stone.

For now I need your hidden love. I'm cold as a new razor

with sorrow, Hey, that's no way to say goodbye.

I'm not looking for another as I wander in my time, walk me to the corner, our steps will always rhyme. You know my love goes with you as your love stays with me, it's just the way it changes, like the shoreline and the sea, but let's not talk of love or chains and things we can't untie, your eyes are soft with sorrow, Hey, that's no way to say goodbye.

blade. You left when I told you I was curious, I never said that I was brave.

Oh, you are really such a pretty one. I see you've gone and changed your name again. And just when I climbed this whole mountainside, to wash my eyelids in the rain!

O your eyes, well, I forget your eyes. Your body's at home in every sea. How come you gave away your news to everyone that you said was a secret for me?

I loved you in the morning, our kisses deep and warm, your hair upon the pillow like a sleepy golden storm, yes many loved before us, I know that we are not new, in city and in forest they smiled like me and you, but let's not talk of love or chains and things we can't untie, your eyes are soft with sorrow, Hey, that's no way to say goodbye.

Famous Blue Raincoat

Em//C//Am//Bm// :||
Em//F#m// :|| Em//D//:||
G///D////Em//// F#m// D//
C// Bm// Em//C//Am//Bm//

It's four in the morning, the end of December I'm writing you now just to see if you're better New York is cold, but I like where I'm living There's music on Clinton Street all through the evening. I hear that you're building your little house deep in the desert You're living for nothing now, I hope you're keeping some kind of record. Yes, and Jane came by with a lock of your hair

She said that you gave it to her That night that you planned to go clear Did you ever go clear?

Ah, the last time we saw you you looked so much older Your famous blue raincoat was torn at the shoulder You'd been to the station to meet every train And you came home without Lili Marlene And you treated my woman to a flake of your life And when she came back she was nobody's wife. Well I see you there with the rose in your teeth One more thin gypsy thief Well I see Jane's awake -- She sends her regards.

And what can I tell you my brother, my killer What can I possibly say? I guess that I miss you, I guess I forgive you I'm glad you stood in my way. If you ever come by here, for Jane or for me Your enemy is sleeping, and his woman is free. Yes, and thanks, for the trouble you took from her eyes I thought it was there for good so I never tried. And Jane came by with a lock of your hair She said that you gave it to her That night that you planned to go clear --Sincerely, L. Cohen

HEY, GOOD LOOKIN' Hank Williams

ABEA:

Hey, Hey, Good Lookin', whatcha got cookin' How's about cookin' somethin' up with me ... Hey, sweet baby, don't you think maybe We could find us a brand new recipe.

DADADABE

I got a hot rod Ford and a two dollar bill And I know a

spot right over the hill There's soda pop and the dancin's free So if you wanna have fun come along with me.

Say Hey, Good Lookin', whatcha got cookin' How's about cookin' somethin' up with me.

I'm free and ready so we can go steady How's about savin' all your time for me No more lookin', I know I've been tooken How's about keepin' steady company.

I'm gonna throw my date book over the fence And find me one for five or ten cents. I'll keep it 'til it's covered with age 'Cause I'm writin' your name down on ev'ry page.

Say Hey, Good Lookin', whatcha got cookin' How's about cookin' somethin' up with me.

Chelsea Hotel #2

1. GDCG GDEm GDCG CCDD

2. EmEmCC GBEmEm CCGG CCDD

3. CCGG GBEm CG CG CEm D

I remember you well in the Chelsea Hotel, you were talking so brave and so sweet, giving me head on the unmade bed, while the limousines wait in the street.

Those were the reasons and that was New York, we were running for the money and the flesh. And that was called love for the workers in song

Who By Fire Am G Am Am G Am

CG7CCG7C

Asus4 Asus/Fbass E

And who by fire, who by water, who in the sunshine, who in the night time, who by high ordeal, who by common trial, who in your merry merry

probably still is for those of them left.

Ah but you got away, didn't you babe, you just turned your back on the crowd, you got away, I never once heard you say, I need you, I don't need you, I need you, I don't need you and all of that jiving around.

I remember you well in the Chelsea Hotel you were famous, your heart was a legend. You told me again you preferred handsome men but for me you would make an exception.

And clenching your fist for the ones like us who are oppressed

by the figures of beauty, you fixed yourself, you said, "Well never mind, we are ugly but we have the music."

And then you got away, didn't you babe, you just turned your back on the crowd, you got away, I never once heard you say, I need you, I don't need you, I need you, I don't need you and all of that jiving around.

I don't mean to suggest that I loved you the best, I can't keep track of each fallen robin. I remember you well in the Chelsea Hotel, that's all, I don't even think of you that often.

month of May, who by very slow decay, and who shall I say is calling?

And who in her lonely slip, who by barbiturate, who in these realms of love, who by something blunt, and who by avalanche, who by powder, who for his greed, who for his hunger, and who shall I say is calling?

And who by brave assent, who by accident, who in solitude, who in this mirror, who by his lady's command, who by his own hand, who in mortal chains, who in power, and who shall I say is calling?

Bird on the Wire

Intro DDAAGGDAGA

DADG DAGD//

G D Em D / G D Em A

Like a bird on the wire, like a drunk in a midnight choir I have tried in my way to be free. Like a worm on a hook, like a knight from some old fashioned book I have saved all my ribbons for thee.

If I, if I have been unkind, I hope that you can just let it go by. If I, if I have been untrue I hope you know it was never to you.

Like a baby, stillborn, like a beast with his horn I have torn everyone who reached out for me. But I swear by this song and by all that I have done wrong I will make it all up to thee.

I saw a beggar leaning on his wooden crutch, he said to me, "You must not ask for so much." And a pretty woman leaning in her darkened door, she cried to me, "Hey, why not ask for more?"

Like a bird on the wire, like a drunk in a midnight choir I have tried in my way to be free

Dance Me to the End of Love

Am Em Am Em Am Em B Em B Em

Dance me to your beauty with a burning violin
Dance me through the panic
'til I'm gathered safely in
Lift me like an olive branch and be my homeward dove
Dance me to the end of love
Dance me to the end of love

Oh let me see your beauty when the witnesses are gone Let me feel you moving like

Hallelujah

G/Em/G/Em/C/D/G/D7/ G/CD/Em/CD/D/B7/Em// C//Em//C//G/D/G/D/

Now I've heard there was a secret chord That David played, and it pleased the Lord But you don't really care for music, do you? It goes like this The fourth, the fifth The minor fall, the major lift The baffled king composing Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah

Your faith was strong but you needed proof You saw her

they do in Babylon Show me slowly what I only know the limits of Dance me to the end of love Dance me to the end of love

Dance me to the wedding now, dance me on and on
Dance me very tenderly and dance me very long
We're both of us beneath our love, we're both of us above
Dance me to the end of love
Dance me to the end of love

Dance me to the children who are asking to be born

bathing on the roof
Her beauty and the moonlight
overthrew her
She tied you To a kitchen chair
She broke your throne, and
she cut your hair And from
your lips she drew the
Hallelujah Hallelujah,
Hallelujah Hallelujah,
Hallelujah

You say I took the name in vain I don't even know the name But if I did, well really, what's it to you? There's a blaze of light In every word It doesn't matter which you heard The holy or the broken Hallelujah

Dance me through the curtains that our kisses have outworn Raise a tent of shelter now, though every thread is torn Dance me to the end of love

Dance me to your beauty with a burning violin
Dance me through the panic till I'm gathered safely in
Touch me with your naked hand or touch me with your glove
Dance me to the end of love
Dance me to the end of love
Dance me to the end of love

Hallelujah, Hallelujah Hallelujah, Hallelujah

I did my best, it wasn't much I couldn't feel, so I tried to touch I've told the truth, I didn't come to fool you And even though It all went wrong I'll stand before the Lord of Song With nothing on my tongue but Hallelujah

Hallelujah, Hallelujah Hallelujah

First We Take Manhattan DmAm /// GFEAm

They sentenced me to twenty years of boredom For trying to change the system from within I'm coming now, I'm coming to reward them
First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin

I'm guided by a signal in the heavens I'm guided by this birthmark on my skin I'm guided by the beauty of our weapons First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin

CCGF CAm CAm GFEAm

I'd really like to live beside you, baby I love your body and your spirit and your clothes But you see that line there moving through the station? I told you, I told you, told you, I was one of those

Ah you loved me as a loser, but now you're worried that I just might win You know the way to stop me, but you don't have the discipline How many nights I prayed for this, to let my work begin First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin

Solo

I don't like your fashion business mister And I don't like these drugs that keep you thin I don't like what happened to my sister First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin I'd really like to live beside you, baby I love your body and your spirit and your clothes But you see that line there moving through the station? I told you, I told you, told you, I was one of those

And I thank you for those items that you sent me The monkey and the plywood violin I practiced every night, now I'm ready First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin

Ah remember me, I used to live for music Remember me, I brought your groceries in Well it's Father's Day and everybody's wounded First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin

Everybody Knows

Em B Em B C Em C Am B D Em F B Em Intro: Dm A Dm Dm

Everybody knows that the dice are loaded Everybody rolls with their fingers crossed, Everybody knows that the war is over Everybody knows the good guys lost, Everybody knows the fight was fixed The poor stay poor, the rich get rich That's how it goes Everybody knows

Everybody knows that the boat is leaking Everybody knows that the captain lied Everybody got this broken feeling Like their father or their dog just died Everybody talking to their pockets Everybody wants a box of chocolates And a long stem rose Everybody knows

Everybody knows that you love me baby Everybody knows that you really do Everybody knows that you've been faithful Ah give or take a night or two Everybody knows you've been discreet But there were so many people you just had to meet Without your clothes And everybody knows

G D Em D C G

Everybody knows, everybody knows That's how it goes Everybody knows Everybody knows, everybody knows That's how it goes Everybody knows

And everybody knows that it's now or never Everybody knows that it's me or you And everybody knows that you live forever Ah when you've done a line or two Everybody knows the deal is rotten Old Black Joe's still pickin' cotton For your ribbons and bows And everybody knows

And everybody knows that the Plague is coming Everybody

knows that it's moving fast
Everybody knows that the
naked man and woman Are
just a shining artifact of the
past Everybody knows the
scene is dead But there's
gonna be a meter on your bed
That will disclose What
everybody knows

And everybody knows that you're in trouble, Everybody knows what you've been through From the bloody cross on top of Calvary To the beach of Malibu Everybody knows it's coming apart Take one last look at this Sacred Heart Before it blows And everybody knows

Everybody knows, everybody knows That's how it goes Everybody knows Oh everybody knows, everybody knows That's how it goes Everybody knows Everybody knows

Take This Waltz G//Em//G//Em//C//D//C/D/ G/B7/ Em////Am/E7/Am//

C//G//Em///Am/C/D//

Now in Vienna there's ten pretty women There's a shoulder where Death comes to cry There's a lobby with nine hundred windows There's a tree where the doves go to die There's a piece that was torn from the morning And it hangs in the Gallery of Frost Ay, Ay, Ay, Ay Take this waltz, take this waltz Take this waltz with the clamp on its jaws

Oh I want you, I want you, I want you On a chair with a dead magazine In the cave at the tip of the lily In some hallways where love's never been On a bed where the moon has been sweating In a cry filled with footsteps and sand Ay, Ay, Ay, Ay Take this waltz, take this waltz Take its broken waist in your hand

This waltz, this waltz, this waltz, this waltz With its very own breath of brandy and Death Dragging its tail in the sea

There's a concert hall in Vienna Where your mouth had a thousand reviews There's a bar where the boys have stopped talking They've been sentenced to death by the blues Ah, but who is it climbs to your picture With a garland of freshly cut tears? Ay, Ay, Ay, Ay Take this waltz, take this waltz Take this waltz it's been dying for years

There's an attic where children are playing Where I've got to lie down with you soon In a dream of Hungarian lanterns In the mist of some sweet afternoon And I'll see what you've chained to your sorrow All your sheep and your lilies of snow Ay, Ay, Ay, Ay Take this waltz, take this waltz With its

"I'll never forget you, you know!" This waltz, this waltz, this waltz, this waltz

And I'll dance with you in Vienna I'll be wearing a river's disguise The hyacinth wild on my shoulder, My mouth on the dew of your thighs And I'll bury my soul in a scrapbook, With the photographs there, and the moss

C//D//C/D/G/B7/

And I'll yield to the flood of your beauty My cheap violin and my cross

And you'll carry me down on your dancing To the pools that you lift on your wrist Oh my love, Oh my love Take this waltz, take this waltz It's yours now. It's all that there is.

Democracy

CFC/CGC/F/BbF/C/

E sus4 E/Am/E sus4/Am/ /GFC/F/C/F/C.

It's coming through a hole in the air, from those nights in Tiananmen Square. It's coming from the feel that this ain't exactly real, or it's real, but it ain't exactly there. From the wars against disorder, from the sirens night and day, from the fires of the homeless, from the ashes of the gay: democracy is coming to the U.S.A.

It's coming through a crack in the wall; on a visionary flood of alcohol; from the staggering account of the Sermon on the Mount which I don't pretend to understand at all. It's coming from the silence on the dock of the bay, from the brave, the bold, the battered heart of Chevrolet: Democracy is coming to the U.S.A.

It's coming from the sorrow in the street, the holy places

Your Cheatin Heart – Hank Williams

CFGC: |

Your cheatin' heart will make you weep You'll cry and cry and try to sleep But sleep won't come the whole night through Your cheatin' heart will tell on you

where the races meet; from the homicidal bitchin' that goes down in every kitchen to determine who will serve and who will eat. From the wells of disappointment where the women kneel to pray for the grace of God in the desert here and the desert far away:

Democracy is coming to the U.S.A.

G/F/C/G/F/C/Dm//G//F//C//

Sail on, sail on O mighty Ship of State! To the Shores of Need Past the Reefs of Greed Through the Squalls of Hate Sail on, sail on, sail on.

It's coming to America first, the cradle of the best and of the worst. It's here they got the range and the machinery for change and it's here they got the spiritual thirst. It's here the family's broken and it's here the lonely say that the heart has got to open in a fundamental way: Democracy is coming to the U.S.A.

It's coming from the women and the men. O baby, we'll be making love again. We'll be going down so deep the river's going to weep, and the mountain's going to shout Amen! It's coming like the tidal flood beneath the lunar sway, imperial, mysterious, in amorous array: Democracy is coming to the U.S.A.

Sail on, sail on O mighty Ship of State! To the Shores of Need Past the Reefs of Greed Through the Squalls of Hate Sail on, sail on, sail on.

I'm sentimental, if you know what I mean I love the country but I can't stand the scene. And I'm neither left or right I'm just staying home tonight, getting lost in that hopeless little screen. But I'm stubborn as those garbage bags that Time cannot decay, I'm junk but I'm still holding up this little wild bouquet: Democracy is coming to the U.S.A.

Chorus: FCD7G/CFGC

When tears come down like fallin' rain You'll toss around and call my name You'll walk the floor the way I do Your cheatin' heart will tell on you

Interlude: CFG (x2)

Your cheatin' heart will pine some day And crave the love you threw away The time will come when you'll be blue Your cheatin heart will tell on you

Chorus

Home Of The Blues

Johnny Cash

Intro D

G A7 D D ////

Just around the corner there's heartache, Down the street that losers use, If you can wade in through the teardrops, You'll find me at the Home of the Blues.

I walk and cry while my heartbeat Keeps time with the drag of my shoes, The sun

Big River

by Johnny Cash

EAEE/ EEF#B/ EEAA/ EBEE

EEEE/AAEE/BAEB

Now I taught the weeping willow how to cry, and I showed the clouds how to cover up a clear blue sky. And the tears that I cried for that woman are gonna flood you Big River.Then I'm gonna sit right here until I die.

Folsom Prison Blues by Johnny Cash

EEEE/AAEE/BAEB

I hear the train a-comin'; it's rollin' 'round the bend, And I ain't seen the sunshine since I don't know when, I'm stuck at Folsom Prison and time keeps draggin' on. But that train keeps a-rollin' on down to San Antone.

never shines through this window of mine, It's dark at the Home of the Blues,

BREAK: G G D D / A7 A7 D D / G G D B / E7 E7 E7 A7 A7

Oh, but the place is filled with the sweetest memories, Mem'ries so sweet that I cry, Dreams that I've had left me feelin' so bad, I just want to give up and lay down and die, VERSE 3: So if you've just lost your sweetheart, And it seems there's no good way to choose, Come along with me, mis'ry

- 2. I met her accidentally in St. Paul (Minnesota). And it tore me up ev'ry time I heard her drawl, Southern drawl. Then I heard my dream was back downstream cavortin' in Davenport, And I followed you, Big River, when you called.
- 3. Then you took me to St. Louis later on (down the river). A freighter said she's been here but she's gone, boy, she's gone. I found her trail in
- 2. When I was just a baby, my momma told me, "Son,
 Always be a good boy; don't ever play with guns." But I shot a man in Reno, just to watch him die. When I hear that whistle blowin', I hang my head and cry.
- 3. I bet there's rich folk eatin' in a fancy dining car. They're prob'ly drinkin' coffee and smokin' big cigars, But I know

loves company, You're welcome at the Home of the Blues,

Solo

Just around the corner there's heartache, Down the street that losers use, If you can wade in through the teardrops, You'll find me at the Home of the Blues, Yeh, you're gonna find me at the Home of the Blues,

Memphis, but she just walked up the block. She raised a few eyebrows and then she went on down alone.

- 4. Now, won't you batter down by Baton Rouge, River Queen, roll it on. Take that woman on down to New Orleans, New Orleans. Go on, I"ve had enough; dump my blues down in the gulf. She loves you, Big River, more than me.
- 5. Repeat 1

I had it comin', I know I can't be free, But those people keep a-movin', and that's what tortures me.

4. Well if they freed me from this prison, if that railroad train was mine, I bet I'd move it all a little farther down the line, Far from Folsom Prison, that's where I want to stay, And I'd let that lonesome whistle blow my blues away.

I Walk the Line Johnny Cash

A E7 A// ADA /AAEA

I keep a close watch on this heart of mine I keep my eyes wide open all the time. I keep the ends out for the tie that binds Because you're mine, I walk the line I find it very, very easy to be true I find myself alone when each day is through Yes, I'll admit I'm a fool for you Because you're mine, I walk the line

As sure as night is dark and day is light I keep you on my mind both day and night And

happiness I've known proves that it's right Because you're mine, I walk the line

You've got a way to keep me on your side You give me cause for love that I can't hide For you I know I'd even try to turn the tide Because you're mine, I walk the line

Grandfather's Clock Recorded by Johnny Cash

INTRO: Tick, Tock, Tick, Tock, Tick, Tock, Tick, Tock, Tick, Tock,

DADG/ DADD/ DADG/ DADD

DDGD/ DEAA/ DADG/ DADD

My grandfather's clock; Was too large for the shelf So it stood ninety years on the floor It was taller by half; Than the old man himself Though it weighed not a penny-weight more; It was bought on the morn; Of the day that he was born And was always his treasure and pride But it stopped short never to go again When the old man died.

Refrain:

Ninety years without slumbering Tick, Tock, Tick,

Tock) His life seconds numbering Tick, Tock, Tick, Tock) It stopped short never to go again When the old man died.

My grandfather said that of those he could hire Not a servant so faithful he found For it wasted no time and had but one desire At the close of each week to be wound And it kept in its' place; not a frown upon its' face And its' hands never hung by its side But it stopped short never to go again When the old man died.

Refrain:

In watching its pendulum swing to and fro Many hours had he spent as a boy And in childhood and manhood, the clock seem to know And to share both his grief and his

joy. For it struck twenty four when he enter'd at the door With a blooming and beautiful bride But it stopped short never to go again When the old man died.

Refrain:

CHANGE TO E:

It rang an alarm in the dead of the night An alarm that for years had been dumb And we knew that his spirit was *pluming for flight That his hour for departure had come. Still the clock kept the time; with its' soft and muffled chimes As we proudly stood by his side But it stopped short never to go again When the old man died.

Hold on to God

GCGAD GCGCGCGDG

Chorus:

Hold on, hold on, hold on to God And not the ways of the world Hold on, hold on and put your trust In His everlasting Word Hold on, hold on, hold on to God In this life's stormtossed sea Cling to Jesus, His lifeline It will salvation bring

GCGD // G

Satan shall lead down a pathway of sin Away from your heavenly home With many great wonders, many great signs Deceiving all but the strong

Chorus

Be not misled by miraculous deeds Performed in the name of the Lamb For He shall return as a thief in the night To claim his own once again

Chorus

I Won't Back Down

Tom Petty

Bm A D - / / Bm A G - / Bm A D/

Well I won't back down No I won't back down You can stand me up at the gates of hell But I won't back down / No, I'll stand my ground Won't be turned around And I'll keep

Don't make me go

Johnny Cash

A D /A E /D E/A E/

You take my hand and smile at me But I can tell you'd rather be Alone or with somebody else you know

A D /A E /D E/A 7/

And when your eyes look into mine That old time love light doesn't shine But let

WIDE OPEN ROAD -J.Cash-

E/E/A/E/E F# B7

Well you said you've had enough you said that you were leavin' I said shove off honey baby I ain't grievin' Pack your bags and pull out this evenin' There's a wide open road

E/E/A/E/E F# B7 E

On Saturday mornin' you were nowhere about And so I searched the town but you had done pulled out I

this world from draggin' me down Gonna stand my ground And I won't back down

... / Bm A D GD /

G D A D G - A GD / G D A - Bm A D - / Bm A D - /

Hey baby, there ain't no easy way out I won't back down Hey I will stand my ground And

me try again, don't make me go

D/A/EA7/D/A/E/A

I want you, don't make me go My heart would break, I'd miss you so Tradin' love for sympathy, is old to me What's this lovesick heart to do When it cries for only you Hold me close, I love you so, don't make me go

looked north, east, and west and then a-leadin' south I saw a wide open road

There's a wide open road It's leadin' south from my abode If you stick around then turn your damper down Or there's a wide open road BREAK:

Well the reason I was lookin' for you all over town Was to tell you that your kitty-cat he's still around And you left your weddin' ring when you went down That wide open road I won't back down / Well I know what's right, I got just one life In a world that keeps on pushin' me around But I'll stand my ground and I won't back down {Refrain thrice}

No, I won't back down

Guitar Solo
I'm sorry that I never knew
The way to show my love to
you I took too much for
granted all the time

Two hearts in love must give and take When one heart fails the other breaks So turn me loose cause I can't call you mine

Chorus

If you're gonna stay away then honey let me know How to cook hot biscuits out of a roll of dough Everything's gone crazy since I told you to go Down the wide open road

There's a wide open road And honey I want you to knowYou can look down south or you can turn back home And there's a wide open road