

## **Diane Birch**

### **"Rise Up"**

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Why not say it like it is  
Like you know you should  
Before they break your little heart  
Ooh, break it good  
Feelings on the inside  
Never let you down  
So why not say it like it is  
Even if it don't make your mama proud

Why change your mind when you make it up  
Second chances don't come easy, easy for some  
Baby I don't know the lock from the key  
But I know one of them is you  
And the other one's me

So if it's happiness you want  
That's what you'll get  
You gotta rise up, little sister  
Turn on the light  
Wise up to the stories you've been told  
'Cause love don't come in black or white  
No no no no.

My mama tells me I won't get through the pearly gates  
'Cause I ain't sorry for my sins  
And all my mistakes  
Mama I don't know if I'm goin' up or down,  
But I know heaven's gonna be one lonely town

But if it's happiness you want,  
That's what you'll get  
You gotta rise up, little sister  
Turn on the light  
Wise up to the stories you've been told  
'Cause love don't come in black or white  
Whoa no no no, whooo no.

Oh oh oh oh oh oh (etc.)

Rise up, little sister  
Turn on the light  
Wise up to the stories you've been told

Whoaaa yeah  
Rise up, little sister  
Turn on the light  
Wise up to the stories you've been told  
'Cause love don't come in black or white  
No no, it don't come in black or white  
Whoaa ooooh

Rise up, open your eyes  
Love don't come in black or white  
Whoa uh uh, no  
Wise up to the stories you've been told  
You know, love don't come in black or white  
Little sister, you gotta rise up

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