

## **The Blue Shadows**

### **"A Paper 'n A Promise"**

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I know an old man on the mountain  
His eyes are glazed from life  
Said he'd seen some happier times  
Back before he lost his wife  
Well he sat me down and told me  
Some things I never heard  
I listened to that old man  
And I took in every word

He said, "You get a paper 'n a promise on the day you  
are born  
That's the first thing that you sign.  
A paper 'n a promise on the day you wed  
When you take the vows that binds.  
And there a paper about a promise of a promised land  
That's a place we all hope to find  
But that paper 'n a promise on the day you died  
Is the only paper that you never sign."

I know a young girl in the  
Whose heart is full of love  
She's got a husband and a baby  
All the things you been dreamin' of  
They're going to teach their young son  
To be a fine and honest man  
Gonna teach him about the power in his spoken word  
And the strength in the shake of his hand.

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Now God don't care about the clothes you wear  
To get forgiveness all you do is ask  
But He keeps track of promises kept  
From the first day to the last

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You get a paper 'n a promise

Yeah, yeah, a paper 'n a promise

Just a paper 'n a promise

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Yeah, you get a paper 'n a promise

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