

## Fred Small

### "Lifeboat"

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The times were lean, your eyes were bold  
And we fell right in together like beggars on the road  
And as the months turn into years with the passing of  
each day  
It gets harder all the time to find a reason not to stay.

CHORUS:

And when I need a lifeboat to keep out the sea  
You are canvas and oak and you cradle me  
And when I need a lifeboat and it looks like a storm  
You are rudder and sail and you take me home.  
Didn't need always to be strong  
And when fear boiled up in anger, it never lasted long  
It's a proud and reckless sailor who steers into the  
squall  
But it's your arms that close around me as the rain  
begins to fall.

CHORUS

Knowing you, knowing me  
Seems like we can be together, and we can still be free  
And with every changing season I see deeper in your  
heart  
And the memory stays with me when it's time to be  
apart.

LAST CHORUS:

And when you need a lifeboat to keep out the sea  
I am canvas and oak and you lean on me  
And when you need a lifeboat and it looks like a storm  
I am rudder and sail and I'll take you home.

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