

## Guy Mitchell

### "Unless"

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Sparrow In the Treetop  
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Words and Music by Bob Merrill

-From "Singing the Blues": Imperial House NU 9880  
-peak Billboard position # 8 in 1951  
-competing versions also charted by Bing Crosby & the  
Andrews Sisters (#8)  
-and Rex Allen #28)

INTRO

Sparrow in the treetop, sparrow in the treetop  
Though he loves his mate  
Sparrow in the treetop, sparrow in the treetop  
Scared of goin' home because it's too darn late

Don't look at me, sweetheart, with scorn in your eyes  
Been out all night, gonna tell you no lies  
Stopped in one place, heard them singin' a song

Like a lonely sparrow, started singin' along

Just singin' (GUY AND BACKUP SINGERS TOGETHER)

(Sparrow in the treetop, sparrow in the treetop)  
(Though he loves his mate)  
(Sparrow in the treetop, sparrow in the treetop)  
Scared of goin' home because it's too darn late

In walked a blonde and, dear, she asked me to dance  
I told that blonde that there wasn't a chance  
I love my kids and my beautiful wife

That's the honest truth, dear, and I swear by my life

-GUY AND FEMALE SINGERS SING (Sparrow in the  
treetop,  
sparrow in the treetop Though he loves his mate,  
Sparrow in the treetop, sparrow  
in the treetop, Scared of goin' home because it's too

darn late)  
while MALE SINGERS sing

There's things I am sweetheart, and things that I ain't  
'cause I'm a man and a man is no saint  
Won't you forgive 'cause I'm tellin' you true

I was in the tavern only thinkin' of you

Just singin' (GUY AND BACKUP SINGERS TOGETHER)

(Sparrow in the treetop, sparrow in the treetop)  
(Though he loves his mate)  
(Sparrow in the treetop, sparrow in the treetop)  
Scared of goin' home because it's too darn late

(Just singin')-GUY AND FEMALE SINGERS SING (Sparrow  
in the treetop,  
sparrow in the treetop Though he loves his mate,  
Sparrow in the treetop, sparrow  
in the treetop, Scared of goin' home because it's TOO  
DARN LATE!!)  
while MALE SINGERS sing

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