

Dar Williams

"The Easy Way"

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I knew a guy
I thought he was my first love
But he had to decide
Between me and the one before
And she stacked it all up
Like a house of cards
Said if he didn't come back
He'd find her flattened on the floor
And though I went and lived in my own hell
Thought that I could die as well
I let him go where he thought he had to go

'Cause I never took
Heavy words for granted
And I never took
Undeserved advantage
No I never took
The easy way
So why don't you take it a little easy on me now?

Out on the road
I had so many questions
I thought I would explode
Just for some attention
Like an acolyte
I saw the flames of towering tapers
Almost proselytized by those gleaming piles of paper
Yeah I watched their power huddles
And their coats draped over puddles
And their, "trust me baby, I'm the one you need"

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The easy way
So why don't you take it a little easy on me now?

Cause we don't want to be the ones
Who lie, cheat, and slander

So we hold each other up to a higher standard
But I'll tell you what
I never try to make it hard
Because when your hard
Just to be hard
The only thing that's hard is you

So here's what I took
I kept the wine and laughter
Until every pack
It just grew up and ever after
Yeah, through the peaks and twisty canyons
I made many great companions
Best of all is the one who loves me like you do

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Undeserved advantage
No I never took
The easy way
So why don't you take it a little easy on me now?

'Cause I never took
Heavy words for granted
And it's much too late
To even want the shortcut
Yeah I never took
The easy way
So you can take it a little easy on me now.
Because we know that easy is never easy anyhow.

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