

## Daphne Willis

### "Mirror"

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I took the safe road, I took the easy road  
It looked so safe and comforting  
There wasn't any trouble as far as I could see.

Avoided the twisty road,  
Avoided the unknown,  
My daddy said that was the devil's way  
And God don't work in mystery noways.

Though I keep on trying to believe that there's an end  
to all this pain  
I just keep moving on, I can't stop to think too long, oh  
no.  
Though I keep on trying to believe that there's a way to  
be set free  
I just keep losin' hold of the things that once gave me  
relief.

Got married in the winter, gave birth in the summer  
In five years' time I had five young ones  
But there was something missing, there was something  
wrong.

One day my husband came back from town  
Said honey, you better sit down  
There's been another woman for all this time  
She's my one true love, can't get her from my mind

Now I break my back from crack of dawn  
It's midnight when I get home  
There never seems to be enough to eat  
And I listen to my children cry themselves to sleep.

Though I keep on trying to believe that there's an end  
to all this pain  
I just keep moving on, I can't stop to think too long, oh  
no.  
Though I keep on trying to believe that there's an end  
to all this pain  
I just look in the mirror and I know I only have myself to  
blame.

I took the safe road, I took the easy road  
But I learned there is no safety there  
You gotta push against the current to get somewhere.

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