The Incredible String Band "First Girl I Loved"

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First girl I loved, Time has come I will sing you this sad goodbye song, When I was seventeen, I used to know you.

Well, I haven't seen you, now, since many is the short year,

And the last time I seen you, you said you'd joined the Church of Jesus.

But me, I remember your long red hair falling in our faces

As I kissed you.

Well, I want you to know, we just had to grow; I want you to know, I just had to go.

And you're probably married now, house and car and all,

And you turned into a grownup, female, stranger. And if I was lying near you now, I probably wouldn't be here at all.

Well, we parted so hard; Me, rushing round Britain with a guitar, Making love to people That I didn't even like to see.

Well, I would think of you. Yes, I mean in the six sad morning. And in the lonely midnight, Try to hold your face before me.

Well, I want you to know, I just had to go; I want you to know, we just had to grow.

And you're probably married now, kids and all, And you turned into a grownup, female, stranger. And if I was lying near you now, I'd just have to fall.

Well, I never slept with you

Though we must have made love a thousand times. For we were just young, didn't have no place to go, But in the wide hills and beside many a long water You have gathered flowers, and they do not smell for me.

Well, I want you to know, I just had to go.
I want you to know, we just had to grow.
So it's goodbye first love, and I hope you're fine.

Well, I have a sweet woman
Maybe some day to have babies by me,
she's pretty,
Is a true friend of mine

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