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# "She Didn't Have Time"

He said goodbye from the edge of the porch
Like she'd been some casual friend
He said, "You're better off without me
I'm not what you need", like her momma had said
about him

He started the car, pulled out of the drive
Didn't waste any time lookin' back
She watched him go, thinkin' even a stranger
Would show more compassion than that

She could've cried but she didn't have time
She had a baby to feed
A pink blanket to find
To rock their little one to sleep
She could've laid in bed for hours
Giving misery the power
But she didn't have time

She got a sitter, she got a job
'Cause she had a promise to keep
Her day was a factory and evening survival
At night was exhaustion and sleep

Sometimes she felt life was passing her by
And watching was all she could do
Her friends said, "You gotta get outta the house
And maybe you'll meet someone new"

She could've tried but she didn't have time
She had a five year old to feed
She had ballet class, piano lessons
And T-ball little league
She could've laid awake for hours
Giving lonely nights the power
But she didn't have the time

Not time where would she find the time
To trust a man again
Not time for that flat tire
In a crowded parking lot and then

Not time but yes have coffee with the man
That got her tire fixed
She was thinking, ?Gosh he's handsome?
When he asked, "Do you have kids"?

She could've lied but she didn't have time
All she said was "She's five"
He said, "I saw the car seat I love kids
Does she have your eyes?"
And they sat and talked for hours
Giving destiny it's power
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