

## How Come, How Long

Babyface

There was a girl I used to know  
She was oh so beautiful  
But she's not here anymore  
She had a college degree  
Smart as anyone could be  
She had so much to live for  
But she fell in love  
With the wrong kinda man  
He abused her love and treated her so bad  
There was not enough education in her world  
That could save the life of this little girl

How come, how long  
It's not right, it's so wrong  
Do we let it just go on  
Turn our backs and carry on  
Wake up, for it's too late  
Right now, we can't wait  
She won't have a second try  
Open up your hearts  
As well as your eyes

She tried to give a cry for help  
She even blamed things on herself  
But no one came to her aid  
Nothing was wrong as far as we could tell  
That's what we'd like to tell ourselves  
But no, it wasn't that way  
So she fell in love  
With the wrong kinda man  
And she paid with her life  
For loving that man  
So we cannot ignore  
We must look for the signs  
And maybe next time  
We might save somebody's life

I on occasion met that guy  
He stirred up bad feelings deep inside  
Something about him wasn't right  
The way he proves himself a man  
By beatin' his woman with his hands  
Oh I wish she'd seen the light  
How can someone like that  
Call himself a man  
In reality he's far more less than that  
And we cannot ignore  
Whenever we see the signs  
'Cause any kinda of abuse  
God knows isn't right