I was green in my younger days
Full of plans but not much knowin'
Tried my hand at the game of love
But I was so naive
From the shelter of mama's wings
Learned to fly but I was broken
By a woman of 25
When I was just 19

Didn't know where to find myself
The rules they were not so simple
Makes no sense tryin' to face this world
'Til you're old enough to fight

Lover...you're the reason I'll be home tonite Lover...never thought that I would see the light

I was hungry in '81

For a time I thought I'd found her

Found myself on the road again

Freezin' from the cold

Fortune found me in '82

With a girl from way down under

She seemed like the natural thing

I thought I knew for sure

Tried to hold her--I could not see
Past her eyes was a spell unbroken
Battered visions and frozen dreams
That would never see the light...now you're my
Lover...you're the reason I'll be home tonite
Lover...someone told me it comes once-in-a-lifetime
Lover...never thought that I would see the light
Lover...you're the reason I'll be home tonite

It's a long road to salvation
People say nothin' lasts forever
But when it comes to the bottom line
When I make it I'll see you there see you there

Once in a lifetime

Now we're lookin' on better times
It seems like a miracle
But I'll never forget those days
I'm ready now to fight...for you my

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Once in a lifetime