You're goin' searchin' for somethin' that I hope someday you'll find

I'm not sayin' I want you to leave but I won't try and change your mind

That would be only thinkin' of me what a selfish thing to do Should you ever come up downhearted remember what I'm tellin' y

It's a cold cold world out there you won't find roses bloomin' everywhere

I realize that somethin' inside tellin' you you've got to be free

You learn that life and reality won't be ev'rything you want it to be

So try your wings and if you fall you can fall back on me

Don't give your heart to the drifter he's only a one nightstand Turn away from the madam in red she'll use you if she can I can give you these words of advice but I can't tell you what to do

Should you ever come up downhearted remember that I still love you

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