

Once You Love

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A long time ago there lived a man
He had the world in the palm of his hand
Sultans and kings beat a path to his door
Had everything but still wanted more

One day in spring came a lady so fair
He'd never looked on a beauty so rare
But he didn't trust her so locked her away
His gold lost its luster when love died that day

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Once you give, your soul is bare
One false move and know you're busted
Once you love, you care

Well, I knew an old man who lived all alone
In a sad little house at the end of the road
He sat on the front porch in an old rocking chair
And everyone swore he'd gone crazy down there

But no one comes near so how could they know
He lost someone dear to him once long ago
He remembers the laughter and still tastes the tears
He still calls her name out after all of these years

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You keep it all inside
You can run but you can't hide
When you think it's safe outside
Look behind you, love will find you

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