The Easy Way

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I knew a guy, I thought he was my first love
But he had to decide between me and the one before
And she stacked it all up, like a house of cards
Said if he didn't come back, he'd find her flattened on the floorAnd though I went and lived in my own hell
Thought that I could die as well
I let him go where he thought he had to goCause I never took heavy words for granted
And I never took undeserved advantage
No, I never took the easy way
So why don't you take it a little easy on me now?Out on the road, I had so many questions
I thought I would explode just for some attention
Like an acolyte, I saw the flames of towering tapers
Almost proselytized by those gleaming piles of paperYeah, I watched the power huddles
And their coats draped over puddles
And their trust me, baby, I'm the one you needBut I never took heavy words for granted
And I never took undeserved advantage
No, I never took the easy way
So why don't you take it a little easy on me now?Cause we don't want to be the ones
To lie and cheat and slander
So we hold each other up to the higher standard
But I'll tell you what, I'll never try to make it hard
Cause when you're hard just to be hard
The only thing that's hard is youSo here's what I took, I kept the wine and laughter
Until every path just grew up and ever after
Through the peaks and twisty canyons
I made many great companions
Best of all is the one who loves me like you doCause I never took heavy words for granted
And I never took undeserved advantage
No, I never took the easy way
So why don't you take it a little easy on me now?Cause I never took heavy words for granted
And it's much too late to even want the shortcut
Yeah, I never took the easy way
So you can take it a little easy on me now
Cause we know that easy's never easy anyhow

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