## Measure Of A Man

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When I was fifteen, I left home young
Tore up the tracks and then some
Me and my dad didn't see eye to eye
I never took to him, he never took the time

Bullet proof, more than tough, smarter than he ever was Well, I burned those wheels down the highway

And I learned what I learned the hard way

Do the best you can do, love many, trust few

Work hard for the money in your hands

That's the measure of a man, yeah, the measure of a manAnger burns, love cools it down

Pretty young woman turned my head around

The world through her eyes looked so different

She lives on faith, she looks for forgiveness

Fool proof, it ain't easy, I need her, she needs meShe stole my heart on this highway

She taught me to love through the hard days

Yeah, she's cool when I'm not, she's steady as a rock

She's as solid as the ring on my hand

That's the measure of a man, yeah, the measure of a manLast night she handed me a son of my own It killed me to do it, but I picked up the phoneHey dad, I burned ten years down this highway

And I learned what I learned the hard way
Truth is I need you, we'll cry if we need to
And I'll swallow my pride if you can
That's the measure of a man, oh yeah, the measure of a man

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