

# Heart of the Matter

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I got the call today that I didn't wanna hear  
But I knew that it would come  
An old, true friend of ours was talking on the phone  
She said you'd found someone And I thought of all the bad luck  
And the struggles we went through  
And how I lost me and you lost you What are these voices outside love's open door  
Make us throw off our contentment  
And beg for something more? I'm learning to live without you now  
But I miss you sometimes  
The more I know, the less I understand  
All the things I thought I knew  
I'm learning again I've been trying to get down  
To the heart of the matter  
But my will gets weak  
And my thoughts seem to scatter  
But I think it's about forgiveness, forgiveness  
Even if, even if you don't love me anymore Ah, these times are so uncertain  
There's a yearning undefined  
And people filled with rage  
We all need a little tenderness  
How can love survive in such a graceless age? Ah, the trust and self-assurance  
That lead to happiness  
They're the very things we kill, I guess  
Ah, pride and competition  
Cannot fill these empty arms  
And the work I put between us  
You know, it doesn't keep me warm I'm learning to live without you now  
But I miss you, baby  
And the more I know, the less I understand  
All the things I thought I'd figured out  
I have to learn again I've been trying to get down  
To the heart of the matter  
But everything changes  
And my friends seem to scatter  
But I think it's about forgiveness, forgiveness  
Even if, even if you don't love me anymore There are people in your life  
Who've come and gone  
They let you down  
You know they hurt your pride

You better put it all behind you, baby  
'Cause' life goes on  
If you keep carrying that anger  
It'll eat you up inside, baby I've been trying to get down  
To the heart of the matter  
But my will gets weak  
And my thoughts seem to scatter  
But I think it's about forgiveness, forgiveness  
Even if, even if you don't love me I've been trying to get down  
To the heart of the matter  
Because the flesh will get weak  
And the ashes will scatter  
So I'm thinking about forgiveness, forgiveness  
Even if, even if you don't love me Forgiveness  
(Yeah)  
Forgiveness  
(Baby)  
Forgiveness  
(Oh, oh)  
Forgiveness  
(Ah, yeah)  
Forgiveness  
(Oh)  
Forgiveness  
Even if you don't love me anymore Forgiveness  
(Oh)  
Forgiveness  
(Oh)  
Forgiveness  
Forgiveness

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