

Bird On A Wire

[Johnny Cash](#)

Like a bird on a wire
Like a drunk in a midnight choir
I have tried in my way to be free
Like a fish on a hook
Like a knight in some old fashioned book
I have saved all my ribbons for thee And if I, if I have been unkind
I just hope you will let it go by
And if I, if I have been untrue
I hope you know it was never to you Like a baby stillborn
Like a beast with his horn
I have torn everyone who reached out to me But I swear by this song
And by all I have done wrong
I'll make it all up to be I saw a young man leaning on his wooden crutch
He called out to me, "Don't ask for so much"
And a young woman leaning in her darkened door
She cried out to me, "Why not ask for more" Like a bird on a wire
Like a drunk in a midnight choir
I have tried in my way to be free

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