You've Let Yourself Go

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I guess just about the hardest thing to do When you're doing something like this Is to find a new love song to sing

Because they're almost always about one of three thingsRight, they're either the, ah, the guy meets the girl

Or the guy loses the girl or the guy gets the girl

Well I found this song and it isn't about any of those three things

This song is about two people

Who have already known each other for quite a whileSo we're alone again tonight

I read a book, you watch the fight

A stifled yawn, a can of beer

What an enthralling atmosphereAnd yet the sight of us this way

Helps me to say what I must say

It helps me to think a thought or two

To pass it right along to you

And just for starters you should know I think

You've let yourself goDown through the years, each sage repeats

Grass never grows on busy streets

Which might explain that balding spot

Were you a thinker, which you're notAnd where's that slender youth I knew

I fear he's grown an inch or two

Not up and down my joy and pride

But more precisely side to sideWhen at a party, now and then

You tell the same old jokes again

Or wear a lampshade for a hat

Who could be wittier than that? With one too many you just might

Pick some unnecessary fight

Though in the morning with the sun

You can't remember what you've done

If there's regret, it doesn't show

You know, you've let yourself goYou never care the way you dress

You stay unshaven, you look a mess

The smallest thing is too much to do

I even hold the door for youAnd every rose upon the shelf Is one that I've supplied myself It's not the same, I'm well aware Yet I need to see them thereI don't know why I say it now Why I don't hold my tongue somehow But I've this need to tell it all No matter where the chips may fall For as I sit and reminisce There are so many things I miss The reassurance of your touch The gentle smile that said so much You were my tender thoughtful beauI couldn't hate you if I tried And I still want you by my side We'll lay things on the line Perhaps the fault is really mine And if it is please tell me so A seed we planted, still can't grow Maybe that's all we need to knowCome close to me andLet yourself go

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