The Way of Men

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It's a hard one, friends
The hearts of women so hard to mend

He beat me bad the day we wed Just thought the beer went to his head He cried and loved me so gently then My mama told me it's the way of men

But then my baby inside me lay And he got mad at me one day He swung his fist, the sheets turned red And later that night she was born dead

Chorus

It isn't love that keeps me here Somehow he'd find me anywhere He swore he'd kill me if I go away May the devil in hell take him today

If I had wings like a turtle dove I'd fly away from the one I loved I'd fly so high, I'd fly so free That the way of men could not touch me