



Buddy & Julie Miller
In the Throes
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Matt Slocum - cello on “The Last Bridge You Will Cross”

Emmylou Harris sings on “The Last Bridge You Will Cross”

Larry Campbell & Teresa Williams sing on “We’re Leavin’”
Regina McCrary sings on “Don’t Make Her Cry”
Gurf Morlix sings on “The Painkillers Ain’t Workin’”

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World Central Kitchen - wck.org
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You’re My Thrill

Baby when I got these blues to kill

You're my thrill, you're my thrill
Baby when I got these blues to kill
You're my thrill, you're my thrill

Sometimes I get so melancholy
Sometimes it rains on the inside
Sometimes I just need to see you
And show you what I got inside

Baby when I got these blues to kill
You're my thrill, you're my thrill

I watch the sky go pink to soldier gray
Night comes looking in the windows
All my regrets come to crown me
But when I see you the sad goes

When I've been downcast too long
You make my heart beat again
You make my feet dance to your song
You turn the moon and the stars on

In The Throes

Baby you left a bruise on my heart when you split
It's been pretty hard getting over it
I'd be independent if I could
I can't do anything I should
I'm just a little bitty baby now
I oughta grow up, but I don't know how

Baby please don't go away again
I'm so helpless and lowdown it's a sin
I need to stand on my own two feet
But when I do I can't keep a beat
What can I do to make you wanna stay
Why don't you wanna just stay here and play

Baby it's so dreadful being in the throes
How can I get your train to stop before it goes
Everybody wants to see you
But I don't care if they do
I should feel guilty but I don't
I should smile and wave but I won't

I know I'm completely out of place
I guess I'm a total disgrace
Come on baby show me who's boss
But you know there's gonna be a cost

Baby it's just that I love you too much to let you leave
I can't make myself let go of your sleeve
You think I'm a crazy girl that's all
Just 'cause I get down on my knees and crawl
But honey if you hang around with me
I'll make you as happy as you can be

Don't Make Her Cry

He stood like a soldier, concern in his eyes
He nodded his head, it was full of surprise
He stood there a while and said, "Are you sure?
Is your love for him really that pure?
Ever since she was born she was my little girl
And I'll always watch over her even from another world
She's the seventh child of the seventh child
Boy do you know that?
God's thumbprint's on her wherever she's at

Don't make her cry - don't make her cry

When your mind's bouncing round like a pinball arcade
Just keep standing now and don't be afraid
What's done in the dark comes to the light
So stay out of the shadows and do what's right

Sometimes your critics think they're so justified
But they don't know a thing about who you are inside
Stand strong, always remember who you are
Stand strong and always follow that star
Don't make her cry - don't make her cry

Yeah, when I heard your father talk
It sounded like somebody else on the block
And when he shook my hand it truly felt
Like the power of love that makes your heart melt

I'll never forget that night, that time, that place
He looked me straight in the eyes with amazing grace
And he said with compassion all over his face

Said to me don't make her cry

Niccolo

Love follows me around everywhere I go
Down to the underground up to Niccolo
I've been around this town long enough to know
Your love follows me around everywhere I go

I've been lied to and captured
I've been blind and led astray
Let me tell you don't believe a word
That they have to say

I've been out where it never rains
I've been covered up and swallowing dust
I thought I was here all alone
But I never was

I've been surrounded by spirits
Angels of Heaven I could not see
When you whispered I could hear it calling me

At the words that were spoken
From your heart into mine
All my chains were broken
And left behind

I Love You

It's stronger than cement
Too strong to ever get bent
It's gonna be permanent
I love you

It's on too strong to unglue
It's on too tight to unscrew
It can't be broken into
I love you

You don't know how far
I would go for you
I would wear a scar
With no shame that spells your name

I'd go to any extent

Call up the president
To erect a monument
I love you

Nothing can make it untrue
Nothing can make it undo
I'd take a bullet for you
I love you

Put it in the paper
Write it on the sky
Talk to the rainmaker
It's you and I until we fly

You are my heart's desire
I'd walk across the wire
I'd even go through the fire
I love you

It's stronger than cement
Too strong to ever get bent
It's gonna be permanent
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The Last Bridge You Will Cross

Congressman John Lewis led the 1965 crossing of the Edmund Pettus Bridge from Selma to Montgomery, AL now known as Bloody Sunday. He was severely injured resulting in needing a permanent plate in his head. His response was always love and forgiveness towards his persecutors. July 17, 2020 I saw the crawl go by on TV announcing his passing. Many tears fell and this song came.

Go ahead John, it's the last bridge
You will ever have to cross
Jesus waits there, on the other side
He saw how you paid the cost

There will never be another
Made of what God made you of
How your enemies stood down
With just the weapon of love

Go ahead son, it's the last bridge
You will ever have to cross
Jesus waits there to embrace you

With all that once was lost

Trials and heartaches
Have traced a map across your soul
Good trouble, Bloody Sunday
Cross this bridge and be made whole

Well done good and faithful servant
Rest now from your righteous cause
You are free now, come to Me now
On the last bridge you will cross

The Painkillers Ain't Workin'

I've been in a bad condition
I'm a pitiful case
Feel like I'm under suspicion
I'm a sad disgrace
I've been biting this bullet so long I'm gonna break my teeth
Feels like the bed I'm on has fire underneath

The painkillers aren't working on me

Hey baby, where you been?
You gotta fill this thing in
Rate your pain from 1 to 10
Now pay the bill for nothing again
I need a little anesthesia or some Novocaine
The doctor comes in but when he sees you
He doesn't feel the pain

The painkillers ain't working on me

Don't think I won't scream out loud because I will
Don't give me something sweet like a sugar pill
I need help and I need it now, I'm not fooling around
Dear Lord please help me somehow before I'm underground

Tattooed Tear

No one is responsible but me
I've been told about love's treachery
But I haven't learned yet
I still jump without a net
So go your way my dear

Never worry never fear
It's nothing but a tattooed tear

I warned myself of trusting anyone
Now I'm left so fragile and undone
It's nobody's fault but mine
I don't know how to tell time
When my words all disappear
I will make it all clear
To you with a tattooed tear

You can get 'em tattooed on for cheap
Then you won't ever have to weep

Hasten now to me oh moonlit sky
So that it will be just you and I
What I confide you never tell
Only you know me so well
I'll be solemn and austere
But you can tell if you draw near
It will ever be sincere
And tell you words you cannot hear
Just a sad little tattooed tear

I've Been Around

I've been saved, I've been cast aside
I've been naked on stage with nowhere to hide
But I laugh the loudest and it just rolls off of my back
Got a confidence game, got a real good act

It's the only game in town
It's the only game in town
Don't worry about me baby
I've been around

Go to the carnival, ride the tilt-a-whirl
That's what it's like livin' in this world
Go around way fast then you go someplace else
Ticket man don't even know what he sells

You go round and round and
Round and round and round
Then you come back here
And you and I go and break down

You buy your ticket and you earn your dollar
You pay the man to make you scream and holler
Make you so dizzy you can't walk
Make you so dizzy, make you too sick to talk

It's the only game in town
It's the only game in town
Don't worry about me baby
I've been around

I'll Never Live It Down

I can't believe the things I did, I'll never live it down
Just trying to get you to stay around
I never got a response from you
Nothing I could say, nothing I could do

You won't come out your door
And you won't let me in
Say we'll be together but I wonder when
I try talking to you but you interrupt
With what you give me, here is where I end up

Guess I almost jumped, I surely played the fool
But getting no reaction can feel so cruel
Nobody knew you - you never knew yourself
I could've asked a dead man and got more help

I lost myself somewhere in the weeds
You never came to help, you never looked for me
You never knew how to love somebody like me
Guess you had a heart but it wasn't free

We're Leavin'

Don't pack up, just leave it all
We're on our way out, I heard the call
Don't look down, lift up your eyes
And raise your hands up to the skies

Leave those dishes right where they're at
Don't need your shoes, don't need your hat
Just make sure your heart's right where it's at
He seeks surrender and you have that

Come on everybody, we're leaving together
Come on everybody, we're leaving forever
To our eternal home on high
In our Savior's arms we will fly

Like a thief in the night He'll come
So don't leave your heart undone
Like lightning flashes across the sky
He will appear in the blink of an eye

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