I was only seventeen when my luck ran out
I didn't know where to turn, I was so in doubt
I had to find someone to hold, and I met my man
I loved him but I hated him too, his habit's so out of hand

I said, hey, can't you see what you're doing to me?
I gave you my heart, but you can set me free
Because I'm not in the mood to be apologized to
There's more to this life than your drugs and your booze

He said, please don't cry
Wipe those tears from your eyes
I will survive
I will see you through

He promised me he'd change And then one day, a baby came

For the past nine months or so, I ain't feeling so sweet They told me I had to behave myself, so I'd be healthy I thought I did everything right, now everything's gone wrong Our baby's got a broken heart, he ain't feeling so strong

My God, what did I do to deserve this from you I don't think I've ever been so confused I still feel the pain, even after the bruise What should I do, tell me what should I do

He said, mama, don't cry Wipe those tears from your eyes I will survive I will see my life through

Please understand
It was not in your hands
You do the best that you can
And I know your love is true

I'm not surprised that I feel so old Sometimes existence can be so cold I'll find the strength just to carry on Am I destined to pay for my every mistake? Will somebody tell me for how long?

(Sax Solo)

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