

I Ain't Leaving

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Broken on the inside, that's what I used to say
Then I'd pack my bags, raise a white flag, drive away
I thought that's what made me strong
But I was young, I was wrong
And I ain't leaving any more
I'm not walking out that door
No more running away
I made up my mind to stay
I'm gonna stand my ground
Stare my demons down, I ain't leaving
I don't know when it happened
But I turned a corner somewhere on the road
And on this side of those stubborn years
Somehow I'm not so broken any more
I pushed away what I shoulda held
Yeah, but sorrow taught me well
And I ain't leaving any more
I'm not walking out that door
No more running away
I made up my mind to stay
I'm gonna stand my ground
Stare my demons down, I ain't leaving
there's still a whisper in my ear
That I'm trying not to hear
Haunted voices from my past
Promises of greener grass
Speaking to me everyday
Fighting hard to have their way
But I ain't leaving any more
I'm not walking out that door
No more running away
I made up my mind to stay
I wanna find out what it's like
To live a different kind of life
To hang around and fight
For something I believe in
Understand I ain't leaving
I ain't leaving
Broken on the inside
That's what I used to say