If The Fall Don't Kill You

They'd been high school sweethearts Since they were just fifteen A storybook beginning with the wedding of their dreams Consumed by his ambition he soon left her at home With a promise and an empty house And too much time alone

Her boredom turned to drinking and drinking turned to lies And he let her get too far gone before he realized And you wouldn't recognize them If you'd known them way back when 'Cause now the flame of love's burned out And can't be lit again

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Two more childhood sweethearts in a small town far away Committed to each other since before their wedding day This will last forever that's what the whole town said But there are some temptations That can turn a good man's head

She was unexpeced when she came home from town She never even noticed all the window shades pulled down And though he begged forgiveness She turned and ran away With the image of betrayal that time just can't erase

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And it's a sad old benediction to a wasted slice of life And there's an overwhelming price you've got to pay It's a losin' proposition and it cuts just like a knife You can't expect the hurt to go away

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And if the fall don't kill you Lord, the heartbreak will Oh yeah