

**It Ought To Be Easier**  
**Lyle Lovett**

Intro

**D C G D** x3  
**D C G**

Verse 1

**D C G D**  
Tell your mama I love her  
**D C G D**  
Tell your daddy I tried  
**D C G D**  
Tell them I wish that I could explain  
**D C G**  
The way that I m feeling

See the sun comes up on the pavement  
The pavement it starts to sweat  
The steam rises up from the water  
And the hotter it is you know the harder it gets

Chorus

**C G D G**  
And it ought to be easier  
**C G D**  
When you turn your lights down low  
**C G D G G**  
And it ought to be easier  
**D C G D**  
To leave when you know that you have to go

Verse 2

I know you don t believe me  
And I know you don t understand  
But honey the way that you treat me  
I can t even tell who I am

And you tell me I m the one you re not to blame  
And you tell me I make you feel the same way  
And we talk in circles but we never say  
It s just out of weakness that both of us stay

Chorus

Bridge - (Played to chorus chords)  
I look at you when you re sleeping  
And I think about how it could be

If you would wake up and open your arms  
And hold me

#### Verse 3

But you look at me when you wake up  
With eyes that are angry and mean  
And I turn away and walk into the kitchen  
And I pray for the strength to leave

#### Chorus

To leave when you know that you have to go

Repeat first verse

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