

Serpent At The Gates
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G **D** **C** **G** - **D** **C**
Serpent at the Gates of Wisdom, curling round a tree
G **D** **C** **G** - **D** **C**
With your eyes so dark and empty looking straight through me
G **D** **Bb** **C**
How did you get so unwinding, do you know my sin?
G **D** **C** **G** **Bb** **D** **C**
When you re so close to the answer, why don t you go in?

Serpent at the gates of Wisdom, who did you decieve
She was weak, but that s no reason for what you did to Eve
You re a fool - You broke the stillness. She gave birth to desire
Rolling down the frozen highwaay like a burying tyre

Serpent at the gates of wisdom, where do you belong?
Wisdom cannot be transmitted, it keeps you hanging on.
Do you really serve the Devil if it s all God s plan?
Good and evil need each other. Honey I m your man.

Serpent at the gates of wisdom, like a purple scar
Leering at me round the dashboard as I reach my car.
I close the door, I start the engine, and I take control.
God above and all his angels, have mercy on your soul.

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