

**Once You Love**  
**Steve Earle**

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Intro: DGDA X 2

**D** **G**  
A long time ago there lived a man  
**D** **A**  
He had the world in the palm of his hand  
**G** **A**  
Sultans and kings beat a path to his door  
**G** **A**  
He had everything but he still wanted more  
**D** **G**  
One day in spring came a lady so fair  
**D** **A**  
He d never looked on a beauty so rare  
**G** **A**  
But he didn t trust her so he locked her away  
**G** **A**  
And his gold lost its luster when love died that day

CHORUS:

**G** **D** **C** **G**  
Once you love, once you trust it  
**G** **D** **C** **G**  
Once you give your soul is bare  
**G** **D** **C** **G**  
One false move and you know you re busted  
**G** **D** **G** **A**  
Once you love you care

**D** **G**  
I knew an old man who lived all alone  
**D** **A**  
In a sad Iittle house at the end of the road  
**G** **A**  
He sat on his front porch in an old rocking chair  
**G** **A**  
And everyone swore he d gone crazy down there  
**D** **G**  
But no one comes near so how could they know  
**D** **A**  
He lost someone dear to him once long ago  
**G** **A**  
He remembers the laughter and still tastes the tears  
**G** **A**  
And he still calls her name out after all of these years

CHORUS:

**G D C G**  
Once you love, once you trust it  
**G D C G**  
Once you give your soul is bare  
**G D C G**  
One false move and you know you re busted  
**G D G**  
Once you love you care

**C G D**  
You can keep it all inside  
**C G D**  
You can run but you can t hide  
**C**  
When you think it s safe outside  
**D G D**  
Look behind you, love will find you

CHORUS:

**G D C G**  
Once you love, once you trust it  
**G D C G**  
Once you give your soul is bare  
**G D C G**  
One false move and you know you re busted  
**G D G**  
Once you love you care

**C G G D**  
Once you trust it  
**C G G D**  
Once you care (Repeat and fade)