Cat Stevens, The Hurt

You say you want to seek the truth, but it's hard to find No one to help you, your friends don't have the time So you ride around in your car. switch on the radio You want to relate to something you once read in a book What kind of a way to try to take a look

Until I got hurt I was looking, I was on my way
Until I got hurt, until I got hurt, darling I painted my face grey
Until I got hurt, 'till got hurt, why didn't I
I didn't think of this until I got hurt
'Till I got hurt. baby. I didn't know' what love is

You say you want to learn to laugh 'cause music makes you cry But the tears you shed are only in your eye So you turn to any phoney mouth with a tale to tell But he's just a hoaxer don't you know, selling peace and religion Between his jokes and his karma chewing gum

Until I got hurt, I was looking, I was the same as you Until I got hurt, until I got hurt, I did not know what to do Until I got hurt, 'till I got hurt, why didn't I I didn't think of this until I got hurt 'Till I got hurt, baby, I didn't know what love is

Young son, don't let me down, young son I'm trusting you to keep on, never turn away now Hold on, never let go, now hold on Turn your heart to the bright sun Love will come your way Cos 'till you make that final show You'll never know what love you've been missing Missing

You say you want to seek the truth but you work alone No one to help you and nobody to push you on So you sit at home drinking your wine, television on You wait for a miracle, cos you say one day one'll come along (But wishful thinking, boy) any minute now You might be gone I'd like to help you brother but that would be wrong

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Until I got hurt, oh I didn't know what love is