

# Dolly Parton, Slow Healing Heart

(Jim Rushing)

When I left I left walkin' wounded  
I made my escape from the rain  
Still a prisoner of hurt  
I had months worth of work  
Just freein' my mind of the pain  
I had hours of sittin' alone in the dark  
Listenin' to sad songs and comin' apart  
Lord knows I made crying an art  
Woe is a slow healing heart

A slow healing heart dyin' to mend  
Longin' for love lonely again  
But when the spirit is broken  
And the memories start  
Nothin' moves slower  
Than a slow healing heart

How I prayed for blind faith to lead me  
To places where I'm not afraid  
Now I'm doin' fine both in body and mind  
Some hurts take longer to fade  
But there's a part of my feelings ever on guard  
Against looks that are tender and words that are hard  
'Cause I still remember those cutting remarks  
Oh it's painful a slow healing heart

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When the spirit is broken  
And the memories start  
You know nothin' moves slower  
Than a slow healing heart  
Nothin' moves slower  
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