

# Mary Chapin Carpenter, Leaving Song

And you see that you're leaving  
And you that you're gone  
And you see there's no saying goodbye  
All the trees in mourning  
The light is late from the sun  
Casting shadow on shadow down from the sky

And it's hard not to want to turn around  
And it's hard not to want to back on down  
We're only as strong as our hearts within  
Only as strong

And all you know of where the road goes  
Is some place far and unknown  
You would think  
You would have gotten used to it all by now  
But each day it just gets harder  
Every journey alone  
Never knowing if you'll make it  
Back home somehow

And it's hard not to want to turn around  
And it's hard not to want to back on down  
We're only as brave as we think we are  
Only as brave

And it's hard not to want to turn it down  
For some guaranteed, soul crushing  
Merry-go-round  
It would have driven you  
Straight into the ground  
Driven your down

And the three greatest gifts of moving on  
Are forgiveness, hope and the great beyond  
After that perhaps peace can come  
Peace will come

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And you see that you're gone...