

# The Allman Brothers Band, Stand Back

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I recall once upon a time,  
Livin was so easy and I felt so fine.  
But, my, my, my right before my very eyes,  
Satan came with fire to burn me,  
Wouldn't listen when they warned me.  
A dagger in my back while she's calling me honey,  
Wouldn't stand back, for neither love nor money.

Thirty minutes after my ship set sail,  
She put up a sign and my house began to wail.  
But, why, why, why I couldn't see it in my little girl's eyes?  
She had such a way to fool me, Lord she had a way to fool me.  
And I would ask the woman, "Can you find it in yourself to please stand back?  
You ain't gonna rule me."

Just when all began to fade,  
I reached out, threw the Ace of Spades.  
I put her on a train to the Everglades.

Now that it's all over and gone,  
Somehow I just don't feel so alone.  
But, lie, lie, lie it seemed like such a waste of time.  
She did not ever seem to know me,  
But, now it's much too late to show me.  
But, if I ever see that woman walkin down the street I'll just stand back,  
And try to move away slowly.  
Oh, yeah.