

# Michael Peterson, By The Book

(Michael Peterson/Robert Ellis Orrall)

I slowly turned the pages  
and see all these smiling faces  
it's hard to believe it was today, ten years ago  
here is the invitation, to our wedding celebration  
just look at the promise these pictures show(now I know)

If I had loved her by the book  
She would be right here by my side but fool that I am  
I overlooked my promise to love her forever, for worse or for better  
We'd still be together...if I had loved her by the book  
If I'd opened the book more often  
Then I wouldn't forgotten  
How much she cared, and how much I meant my solemn vow  
To honor, to have and to hold her...but as I read them over  
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