## The Tie That Binds

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Last night I slept with an open eye As you whispered on the phone The tears you cried had just disappeared And then you wish you was all alone

You thought I was sleeping
But I know you were sleazing
And you know you can't keep
That new secret from me

Let's not break the tie that binds
Let's not lose our piece of mind
You know that I really love you darling
But you're just too much to deal with at this time

You didn't have the nerve to tell me That you just didn't love me I assumed you'd rather pass and play So darling evidently

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Your whisper has been at you a long long time And I couldn't believe my ears
I nearly cried when you said to me
How much you needed me here

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