

SOFTLY PLAYING ON MY MIND – *Lyrics*

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VERSE 1

**It's time to say goodbye, I'll try to make it easy
I know I'll have to lie, I know you won't believe me
When I promise you I really won't be sad
I'll just think of all the special times we've had**

VERSE 2

**It's time to let you go, Well I'm not gonna cry
I'm stronger than you know, but I really have to try
Our vows of love forever will remain
And I miss you like the flowers miss the rain**

CHORUS 1

**I count the hours that you've been gone
Dream of you from dusk 'til dawn
Memories of gold you leave behind
I look forward to the time I'll be
Holding you eternally
Till then you're softly playing on my mind**

VERSE 3

**I've been away from you, forever and a day
And though I know it's true, I can't bring myself to say
That I have the strength to make it on my own
Or to think I now must face the world alone**

CHORUS 2

**Soon our paths will cross again
Hand in hand we'll be and then
Providence will surely let us find
Warm summer breezes, soft and sweet
Cool green grass beneath our feet
Till then you're softly playing on my mind
You'll be softly playing on my mind**