**Love in the First Degree**

**G                           D7  
I once thought of love as a prison  
  C                     G  
A place I didn't want to be  
Am             G  
So long ago  I made a decision  
   Am                     D7  
To be footloose and fancy free  
    G                     D7  
But you came and I was so tempted  
   C                       G  
To gamble on love just one time  
   Am              G  
I never thought I would get caught  
   Am                      D7  
It seemed like the perfect crime  
   
C                  G  
Baby you left me defenseless  
C                 G  
I've only got one plea  
Am             G  
Lock me away inside of your love  
    Am             D7  
And throw away the key  
    C          D7                G   
I'm guilty  of love in the first degree  
     
                         D7  
I thought it would be so simple  
       C                G         
Like a thousand times before  
    Am                 G  
I'd take what I wanted and just walk away  
    Am                     D7  
But I never made it to the door  
    G                        D7  
Now babe I'm not begging for mercy  
   C                           G  
Go ahead and throw the book at me  
   Am                    G  
If loving you is a crime I know that I'm  
   Am                  D7  
As guilty as a man can be  
   
Repeat #2  
      C                 G  
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