

FOR ONCE IN MY LIFE

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Slowly *mf*

Freely

Good - bye, old friend, this is the end of the

{ man } I used to be, 'cause there's been a strange and
{ girl }

wel - come change in me. For

The musical score is presented in a standard format with a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The piano part is written in a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The vocal line is in a single treble clef. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats), and the time signature is 4/4. The score is divided into three systems. The first system is marked 'Slowly' and 'mf'. The second system is marked 'Freely'. The piano accompaniment includes various chords and textures, such as arpeggios and sustained notes. The vocal line includes lyrics and some phrasing marks like curly braces for 'man' and 'girl'.

Chords:

- System 1: Bb, Bb+, Eb/Bb (6fr), Cm7/F, F7, Bb
- System 2: C9, F7, Bb, Bdim7, Cm7 (3fr), A/C#
- System 3: Bb/D, Bb, Adim7, D7, Gm (3fr), Gm(maj7) (3fr)
- System 4: Gm7 (3fr), C7, Cm7 (3fr), F7

Slowly, with feeling

Bb Bb+ Bb6 Bdim7 Cm Ab/C

once in my life I have some - one who needs me, some - one I've need - ed so

F7 G7 Cm Ab/C F7 F7#5

long. For once, un - a - fraid I can go where life leads me and

Bb F7/C Bb/D Bb Bb6

some - how I know I'll be strong. For once I can touch what my

D+ Eb Cm Fm7 F7 Bbmaj7 Dm

heart used to dream of long be - fore I knew some - one warm like

Gm 3fr Gm7 3fr C7 Cm7 3fr F7

you would make my dream come true. For

Bb Bb+ Bb6 Bdim7 Cm 3fr Ab/C 3fr

once in my life I won't let sor - row hurt me, not like it's hurt me be -

F7 G7 Cm 3fr Ab/C 3fr F7 F7#5

fore. For once I have some - thing I know won't de - sert me,

Bb F7/C 3fr Bb/D Bb Bb6

I'm not a - lone an - y - more. For once I can say this is

D+ Eb C9/E

mine, you can't take it, long as I know I have love, I can make it. For

1 Bb/F Bb+ Eb/Bb Cm7/F F7 Bb C9 F7

once in my life I have some - one who needs me. For

2 Bb/F Bb+ Cm7 F7 F#dim7 Gm C9

once I can feel that some - bod - y's heard my plea. For

Bb Bb+ Eb/Bb Cm7/F F7 Bb Gb/Bb Bb6/9

once in my life I have some - one who needs me.

poco a poco rit.