

Burn Down The Barn © 2025 John Morey

(Chorus)

They burned down the barn
The one where we once lay
Two hearts a-flame
Feels like yesterday
In the loft we stole the nights
And promised to stay true
Solid as a rock were we
And so our dreams were too.

(Verse 2)

Why did we break up
I really still don't know
Even after 20 years or more
I guess one of us had to go
They forced us to part that day
To seek another life
For me to take another man
And so you took yourself a wife.

(Verse 3)

Were we not meant to be
Could we ever take the strain
It was your folks who broke my heart
Though they didn't feel my pain
20 years; two broken hearts
A barn that's broken too
So burn it down, burn down our lives
That's all that's left to do.

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(Bridge)

Where are you now sweet Jimmy?
Do you wonder every day
If only they'd let us live our dream
In the barn where we once lay

(Verse 4)

Now the moral of this story
Is very plain to see
Always listen to your heart
As hard as it may be
Don't let false fears and doubting
Step in - just stand your ground
Lest all you have is a broken dream
A barn that they burned down.

(Chorus)

They burned down the barn
The one where we once lay
But if we meet again my Jimmy
Our love will feel like yesterday
In the loft we stole the nights
And promised to stay true
Solid as a rock were we
And so our dreams were too.

Recording Brief: A folk song Canadian style.

Female lead vocal with Canadian accent, accompanied by a second female voice in the choruses. Backing by acoustic guitar played finger-style, backed by banjo and violin that featured strongly in the instrumental breaks. Medium paced, slightly melancholy but not dreary, regretful but with some sense of hope and optimism.

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