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Intro: F C G

My job takes me out to the planets
 To the furthestmost stars that we know
 I awake into darkness and pick up my car keys
 And wonder again why I go
 I look at you sleeping beside me
 The shadows flung over your face
 And I know that your heart is a world yet uncharted
 The equal of any in space

I have not lived in your landscapes
 I have not yet travelled your trails
 I've heard what you tell of the cliffs where you fell
 And the shock when your gravity fails.
 In your heart and your mind I am travelling blind;
 Will you throw me a light from the shore?
 I'll come home from the stars into your open arms
 And the heart that I long to explore.

There are times when I think that I know you,
 The woman who's been by my side
 For more than a year when I finally appear
 From this long and spectacular ride.
 Then something I say reaches inward
 And knots up your soul in a twist
 And I flounder and sputter, my heart in the gutter
 And wonder what landmark I missed?

CHORUS

I know there are pilots who've married

Sweet ^C women with ^D nothing to ^G hide
 They ^C land when they ^D must and they ^{G/B} shrug off the ^{Em} dust
 And can't wait to get ^C back to ^{Dsus4} their ^D ride.
 I ^G come home whenever I'm ^C able,
 You ^C watch my ship down from ^{Bm} above
 And we ^{Em} kiss and we ^{Am7} shout and we try to find out
 About ^F who is this ^D person we love?

CHORUS

It's ^G hard to go back to the ^C starways
 And ^C leave you behind like a ^D dream
 If I ^C knew you more ^D deeply I might ^{G/B} get more ^{Em} sleep
 While I'm ^C charting an ^{Dsus4} alien ^D scene.
 My ^G nature is still an ^C explorer's
 And I've ^C never loved my ^{Bm} work more
 But with ^{Em} all that I've ^{Am} found I still ^{Am} hurry ^{Am} aground
 To the ^F shadows and ^D caves of old ^D ghosts in their ^D graves
 And the ^C secrets and ^{Bm} shocks I might ^{Am} find in the ^G rocks
 Of the ^F heart that I ^C long to ^G explore.

(no final chorus)