

# Long Time Waiting

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**This song was one of those folk-style tunes that came tumbling out on guitar one evening while just thinking about how we so often may actually find that “right” partner in our lives, but life just keeps us apart no matter what we want. Circumstances just conspire to keep us from being together – jobs, geography, finances..... for whatever reason, we just can’t make it work out.**

This is one of those bittersweet irony songs – in the end you just wind up saying that someday, things will work out and we’ll be together. We can always hope, we can always believe in a love strong enough to overcome all obstacles.

**“Heaven waits beyond the stars,  
only we know where. . . .  
every time I see your eyes,  
I know you take me there.”**

**This is a song about the waiting aspect of a relationship, patience, perseverance – all those qualities that are required in order to have just the right mix – the right relationship once it happens and it all comes together just right. It may not be one of the happier tunes that I’ve ever written, but it’s one of those “springboard” songs – sometimes you need a slow mellow song to be a “bridge” to lead up to a really upbeat, lively song.**

It has its place in my heart and in my collection of songs woven around the theme of “Time”. There is a sense of time here, a Long Time Waiting but a wait that will happen and will be worth the struggle. This song is about overcoming obstacles, and in the end, hopefully finding fulfillment – even if it doesn’t work out and you never really get that life together. Sometimes, it’s learning that you can be forever near that person in your heart that makes all the difference.

**Enjoy!**  
**~ John**