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you do not deserve me, yet
you have me.
you do not care for me as you
used to yet
I let you stay.
you want it when, where, and
how you want but
where is the "I" for me?
it is wrong what you've done, you
did it anyway.
where am I?
I would love to be you,
I wouldn't even care,

how unfortunate is it that
I am not like you? Instead,
I take it like a woman.
I take the shit you give me.
I want to give it back, sometimes I may.
but I think it takes a stronger person
to embrace your faults, and
love you not because I should, but
because I really do.
so don't misunderstand,
you are still a bastard, I haven't
changed by mind, but
life's too short to waste hating
you, I've never been good at lying.
I am not doing this for you, don't
mistake my kindness. I am
moving forward, maybe
one day I'll have all of you, don't
mistake my kindness. I am
moving forward, maybe
one day I'll have all of you, instead of
half the prize. Hurry now,
I'm here, with a word of caution to the wise:
keep an eye on your watch,
no waiting, I may not be here
by the time you arrive.
take that chance and tell me you
wonder why you even tried, saying
I am too demanding, attaching
'it's just like a woman' branding,
to which I will only reply:
Thanks God.

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