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Promises - Randy Travis (4/4)
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Suggested Picking Pattern:
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e|---------*-------|
B|-----*-------*---|
G|---*---*---*---*-|
D|-*--------------|
A|-*--------------|
E|-*--------------|
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  Root note of the chord
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Intro: Slowly strum the E chord and let it ring


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      E                   ,
Cheap perfume and painted faces,
      E                   ,
Fallen angels fill the places
        A       A             E       `
Where I go when my troubles pull me down.
        E                 ,
All the lies I know they'll tell me,
        E                   ,
And the time that they will sell me,
      F#              F#            B7     `
For a while I'll be the biggest man in town.
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      E                   ,
Back at home in bed she's crying,
      E                   ,
For her love for me is dying,
        A       A                   E       `
But she'll pray I make it safely through the night.
        B7                    ,
When the mornin' sun starts showing,
      A               ,
To her bedside I'll be going,
          E             B7             E       `
And she'll hold me while I face the morning light.
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            E
And I'll make promises,
E
Promises to change.
            Ab        ,
I'll make her promises, swear I'll rearrange.
            A               ,
And I'll start giving all the love she needs,
   B7                [A    B7]
If only she will stay.
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      E                     ,
Once again she'll reassure me,
      E                       ,
And I believe her love will cure me,
        A                   ,         E        ,
And I'll fall asleep with tears on my face.
      E                   ,
Lord I know she's just a woman,
      E                       ,
And her love can't last forever,
        F#                  F#                B7       B7
And someday soon I know she'll leave without a trace.


            E
For broken promises
E
Will tear her dreams apart,
              Ab           `
Just token promises will someday break her heart.
              A             `
And for the last time she'll hold me when I cry
            B7
And while I'm sleeping,
       A        B7       /
She'll quietly say:
    C  D  E   E (slowly pick the E chord and let it ring)
Goodbye.
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"Promises" is a song co-written and recorded by American country music singer Randy Travis. It was originally released in March 1987, as the B-side of "Forever and Ever, Amen." Then it was released as the A-side in May 1989 as the fourth and final single from his album, Old 8x10, peaking at number 17 in the United States and number 12 Canada. Travis co-wrote this with John Lindley