

## **STRATEGIC, EMOTIONAL PARAPLEGIC**

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1. She's been hurt so many times since her childhood.  
Daddy's neglect made her grow up thinking that all men are no good.  
She ran from the arms of familial harms, to a boyfriend's abuse.  
Still while so young she learned feelings deep in her heart, were of no use.

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**HOOK: Strategic, Emotional Paraplegic.  
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2. Out in the world while only a girl, still living at home.  
Parents never knew who she was, or what she might ever become.  
Her situation, unquelled desperation, she never could reveal.  
While others were free to love, she locked her heart behind bars of steel.

**[REPEAT HOOK BETWEEN EACH VERSE]**

3. She's like a magnet, that draws in the worst of abusers.  
While she strategized to find love, every lover just used hers.  
Her only survival was learning to use other men in return.  
She deeply engrained it remained, an impossible trait to unlearn.

**[INSTRUMENTAL]**

4. As numbers would have it, one day a good, loving man met her.  
She tried to avoid his advances, but he wouldn't let her.  
But love was poison to her heart — a servant she couldn't master.  
She only knew how to turn true affection into one more disaster.
5. You'll find this woman today, behind so many faces.  
Not limited to the whore or the homeless, or addict in destitute places.  
But how without love can she stop this cycle that compels her to destroy,  
all love that could possibly heal her,  
all possible hope, any possible joy — IN HER LIFE !

**[REPEAT HOOK INTO FADEOUT]**

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