

DON'T THIS ROAD LOOK ROUGH AND ROCKY

Traditional Bluegrass and Old-Time Song; **DATE:** Early 1900's; **CATEGORY:** Fiddle and Instrumental Tunes; **RECORDING INFO:** Flatt and Scruggs; Osborne Brothers; Seldom Scene; Ricky Skaggs; J. D. Crowe & Friends; **OTHER NAMES:** Rough and Rocky; **NOTES:** The Flatt and Scruggs version is based the Blue Sky Boys song "Can't You Hear That Night Bird Crying." Meade categorizes the song with "Little Bunch of Roses" in a large group of songs on Lovers Parted. "Last Gold Dollar" by Murphy Brothers Harp Band has similar lyrics.

Darling I have come to tell you
 Though it almost breaks my heart
 That before the morning darling
 we'll be many miles a-
 part
 Don't this road look rough and rocky
 Don't that
 sea look wide and deep
 Don't my baby look the sweetest
 When she's in my arms asleep.

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G **C** **G**
 Darling, I have come to tell you

G
 Though it almost breaks my heart

G **C** **G**
 That before the morning, darling

D **G**
 We'll be many miles apart.

C **G**
 Don't this road look rough and rocky

D
 Don't that sea look wide and deep

G **C** **G**
 Don't my baby look the sweetest

D **G**
 When she's in my arms asleep.

G **C** **G**
 Don't you hear the nightbirds calling

G
 Far across the deep blue sea?

D **C** **G**
 While of others you are thinking

D **G**
 Won't you sometimes think of me?

G **C** **G**
 One more kiss before I leave you

G
 One more kiss before we part

D **C** **G**
 You have caused me lots of trouble

D **G**
 Darling, you have broke my heart.