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Slowly

The piano introduction is in B-flat major, 4/4 time. It begins with a series of chords in the right hand and single notes in the left hand. The tempo is marked 'Slowly'. The introduction ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign, followed by a section marked 'ad lib' with a 'mf' dynamic.

VERSE

The first system of the verse features a vocal melody line with two verses of lyrics. The piano accompaniment consists of chords in the right hand and single notes in the left hand. The dynamics are marked 'p' (piano) and 'f' (forte). The key signature is B-flat major.

1. It's not for-give-ness I'm seek-ing, It's just my heart that is speak-ing, Your
2. I'm lone-ly, dar-ling, with-out you, My thoughts are al-ways a-bout you, At

Chords: Bb, Am, A7, D7

The second system of the verse continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The dynamics are marked 'p' (piano) and 'f' (forte). The key signature is B-flat major.

let-ter came to-day, It's o-ver now and I've lost you, In
night-time and by day, Our ways were fa-ted to se-ver, And

Chords: G7, C+, A7-5, D7, G7-5, C7, Bb

The third system of the verse continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The dynamics are marked 'p' (piano) and 'f' (forte). The key signature is B-flat major.

case I don't run a-cross you, I write these lines to say: _____
tho' we've part-ed for ev-er, Be-lieve me when I say: _____

Chords: Am, A7, D7, G7, Db7, C7