

You Can't Fail Me Now

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I know that fan is moving air
I can see it in your hair
But I can't bear to breathe it in somehow

I'll rise and fall with you
'Cause you can't fail me now
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Salt as sweet upon my mouth
Dark throw sparks against my house
The stain of love's a smudge upon my bride

But you see through me
And you can't fail me now
You see right through me
And you can't fail me now

I've bit off more than I can chew
It's something that I tend to do
And fewer words are what we need and how

You bite my tongue
And you can't fail me now
I ran too real
But you can't fail me now

I lost the faith among the vines
And hung myself in story lines
I tell the tales I never would allow

God knows the name of every bird
That fills my mind like angry words
But you know all my secret heart of vows

We're taught to love the worst of us
And mercy more than life
But trust me mercy's just a warning
Shot across the bough

I live for yours and you can't fail me now
I live for your mercy, you can't fail me now
You can't fail me now