The Coral Castle

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Late one night I had a notion

An epiphany would be a better word

So I stumbled in the dark down to the ocean

And I pulled my broken heart out of the surf

I had told her I did not have much to offer And I had told her I would treat her like a queen But I guess I wasn't worth what I would cost her So the night has brought me to this coral reef

So down to the water I will come
To raise for her this castle with my hands
And steal away before the morning comes
Cause I don't need her love to love her all I can

So night on night and year on year Well, I worked until my hands no longer bled And I let the ocean bear away my tears
So that she would know that I could love her best

And a desert's just a sea without a shore
And a lonely man at worst is still a man
And I ain't gonna cry for her no more
Cause I don't need her love to love her all I can

I often dreamed I saw her face among the people Who'd come to see the coral fortress I had built But it may as well have been another seagull And the castle is there waiting for her still

So down to the water I will come
To wander through this castle on the sand
And steal away before the morning sun
Cause I don't need her love to love her all I can
I don't need her love to love her all I can