I Am a Rock

A winter's day In a deep and dark December I am alone Gazing from my window to the streets below On a freshly fallen silent shroud of snow I am a rock, I am an island

I've built walls A fortress deep and mighty That none may penetrate I have no need of friendship Friendship causes pain It's laughter and it's loving I disdain I am a rock, I am an island

Don't talk of love But I've heard the words before It's sleeping in my memory I won't disturb the slumber of feelings that have died If I never loved, I never would have cried I am a rock, I am an island

I have my books And my poetry to protect me I am shielded in my armour Hiding in my room, safe within my womb I touch no one and no one touches me I am a rock, I am an island

And a rock feels no pain And an island never cries

April Wine