

# Be Near Me

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I follow all the rules  
Well, at least I'm trying  
Hoping when my days are through  
You'll be pleased

I've lived the longest days  
Thinking my heart was so bad  
Too scared to look in your face  
Oh, if only I had

And is it alright  
If I stay here all night  
By the shoreline

I cannot believe you are angry or unjust  
You've done nothing but have compassion on us  
So be near when I've given up  
Be near me

I'm just like everyone else  
We are all hiding  
Acting like I have a wealth  
Of knowledge and peace

But all I've ever wanted  
And what men have given their lives for  
Is a God who understands my weaknesses  
A God that I can love

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I believe you are good and righteous  
You've given me your reckless love  
So be near, be near

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