

## Ancient Water

## Future Islands

Ancient like the water  
Dissolves my selfish leanings and all the others  
Guide me  
You beside me  
With conviction—my lost invention  
My child is starving

But you keep me, you keep me  
I've been locked and you're the key  
You keep me, you keep me  
You keep me 'til I'm ready to be free

Too many wasted days and nights  
Obsessed with the flickering bits of my life  
Forgetting what giving and living can be—what it can mean  
First forgiving myself and stepping outside of my own apathy  
To see, I just want to be

Patient like the forest  
Stood through thousands fallen  
Watched the changing evening a million times or more  
Lead me to the water  
Take me to the other side  
And know how much it means, to me

Cuz you keep me, you keep me  
I've been locked and you're the key

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I've forgotten what giving and living can be—what it can mean  
First steps to being better is doing the smallest things

Cuz you keep me, you keep me  
You keep me I've been locked and you're the key

You keep me, you keep me  
You keep me 'til I'm strong enough to see  
To be free