

If You Could Read My Mind

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If you could read my mind, love
What a tale my thoughts could tell
Just like an old time movie
About a ghost from a wishing well

In a castle dark or a fortress strong
With chains upon my feet, you know that ghost is me
And I won't ever be set free as long as I'm a ghost that you can't see

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What a tale your thoughts could tell
Just like a paper back novel
The kind the drugstore sells

When you reach the part where the heartaches come
The hero won't be beat but heroes often fail and
You won't read that book again because the ending's just too hard to take

I'd walk away like a movie star who gets burned in a three way script
Enter number two, a movie queen to play the scene
Of bringing all the good things out in me
But for now, love, let's be real

I never thought I could feel this way
And I've got to say that I just don't get it
I don't know where we went wrong
But the feeling's gone and I just bring get it back

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In a castle dark or a fortress strong with chains upon my feet
But stories always end, if you could read between the lines
You'd know that I'm just tryin' to understand the feelings that you lack

I never thought I could feel this way
And I've got to say that I just don't get it
I don't know where we went wrong but the feelings gone
And I just can't get it back