

You Are the Only Song

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I've sung it all tonight
Almost every story that I know
And now when they turn out the spotlights
I'm not sure where I'm supposed to go

And I'm so hoarse, I can't hit the high notes
It's just a whisper when I'm low
But when you sing from the inside
You hope that something shows and that it why

Yes, you are the only song, the only song I need
You're my laughter and you're my lonely song
You're the harvest and you're the seed
And you're my first and my final song

For you own me indeed
Oh yes, oh yes,
Yes, after all is said and done
You're the one song that I need

I've sung my songs to silence
To empty clubs and crowded bars
I've sung my songs to standing room
Even sung 'em to the stars

But the faces they fade together
And the applause it's gone so fast
And the story of every darkened stage
Is that the glory just does not last

And that is why
Yes, after all is said and done
You're the one song that I need

All my life's a circle