

# Standing in the Shadows of Love

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Hiding from the sun up above  
Wondering if my heart  
Would ever feel the spark  
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I built a wall of the stones I'd swallowed  
Stones of fear and pride  
I built it tall so no one could follow  
And bother me inside  
I lived my life in that wall's shade  
I hid behind the games I played  
But now it's time to make my getaway

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I used to have such a mean reputation  
I was cold and cruel  
When I walked into a new situation  
I knew just what to do  
I thought this world was full of fools  
Except for me, who could play it cool  
I played cold, I almost froze  
Until I met you

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