

# Failure

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He used to be a singer in a rock and roll band.  
He would write the songs and I'd tremble at his hand.  
But oh, la la  
He lost poetic ethic and his songs were pathetic  
And he's a failure now.

And he used to be the life and soul of everyone around,  
You'd never catch him looking up and never see him down  
But oh, la la  
He couldn't raise a smile, no not for a while  
And he's a failure now

Don't cry child  
You've got so much more to live for.  
Don't cry child  
You've got something I would die for.

And if it comes to the rain just be glad you'll smile again,  
Because so many don't and so many go unnamed.

People push right past me shouting various claims  
A preacher pushes me aside and asked to wash my sins  
I said no, la la  
If He made me in his image,  
Then he's a failure too.

And I used to need a couple of people keep my head down,  
Now I need a whole lot more to keep me on the ground.  
But oh, la la  
I gave up something and I gave it up for nothing  
And I am a failure now.

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