

The Last Three Human Words

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i know how you feel
like your soul could use the rest
but you're not my girl anymore
you're a ghost in the west
and tonight you're gonna make it
down the black road alone

don't cry now
cause you're so much better off
you're none of what you were
but you're everything you lost
and whatever you got back after that
is worth whatever it cost

you can climb to the top of the wall
you can look down on it all
you can never tell what you saw

remember when you got here
how the bending willows hung
how your eyes stung from the mercury
and you found on your tongue
all the words to all the songs you were sure
only the night could have sung

and all the way down gospel street
a dead bird was hauling an ivory box
back from redemption
you just buried the last chance you got

and all the way down locust street
a black ox was hauling a white willow box
back from oblivion
he just dug up the last chance you got

he said the last three human words
were the same as the first three words
don't you ever wonder what they were?