

# Renaissance

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This is my renaissance  
This is my one response  
This is the way I say I love you  
This is my second chance  
This is my one romance  
This is the cutting line  
On which I stand to show you

It happened fast in a flash just this evening  
I hit the gas, horn blast, brakes screaming  
Car crash, broken glass, broke my dreaming  
I hit the dash so fast my ears are ringing  
My sister's on the right side just slightly leaning  
I grabbed her hand hard until she started breathing  
My brothers in the back jaw cracked from the beating  
The breath in my chest has slipped and I'm sinking  
Blinking through diamond spider webs of cracked glass  
I'm trying to remember all the words you said in the past  
Through the ash, siren screams and red beams  
I hear you sing softly to me

[chorus]

I can be the wall when you fall down  
Find me on the rocks when you break down  
I heard it in the song when you call out  
But I got to say now it's got to change

This is my broken heart  
This is my bleeding start  
This is the way I've come to know you  
This is my winding road  
This is my way back home  
This is the narrow door you know that I will walk through

I got a letter today of why she went away  
She said 'it's better this way, you knew I never could stay'  
Half empty closets and frames, all that's left to my name  
As she left in the rain and left my heart on a chain  
Three years I've built this two face tower for hours on a lease  
You gave me one yellow flower that said rest in peace  
IN pieces I've broken open to think too much or just enough  
Alone to trust midst the rubble and the dust  
Humbled, it took this much to break down and understand  
Spent half my life on castles made of sand  
Tossed in the breakers in the palm of your hand  
Now I can finally stand

[chorus]

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