

# My Hands Are Tied

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She came here to see me today  
In prison where I have to stay  
But this time she came here  
To tell me goodbye

Pretending that I understood  
I held back the tears best I could  
But I know that she knew  
I wanted to cry

'Cause my hands are tied  
I'm locked here inside  
I want her, I need her, I love her  
But my hands are tied

Her visits kept my world alive  
Our love found the way to survive  
But now it's all over  
I've lost her for good

She waited with arms open wide  
Till somebody else stepped inside  
But I know she waited  
As long as she could

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I'm locked here inside  
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But my hands are tied