

# Will to Love

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It has often been my dream  
To live with one who wasn't there  
Like an ocean fish who swam upstream  
Through nets, by hooks, and hungry bears.

When the water grew less deep  
My fins were aching from the strain  
I'm swimming in my sleep  
I know I can't go back again.

Got the will to love, the will to love.  
I'll never lose it, never lose the will to love,  
Never lose the will.  
It's like something from up above.

I can be like a fire in the night  
Always warm and giving off light  
But there comes a time when I shine too bright  
Oh, I'm just a fire in the night.

And now my fins are in the air  
And my belly's scraping on the rocks  
I still think someone really cares  
And I'll keep swimming till I stop.

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I'll never lose it, never lose the will to love,  
Never lose the will.  
It's like something from up above.

I'm like a singer on the stage  
With the golden lights and liquid rage  
Down from the mountains to the sea  
Cool running love keeps cleansing me.

It keeps my gills from getting dry  
But it distorts things in my eyes  
Sometimes I see what really isn't there  
Like my true lover, and I care.

Got the will to love, the will to love.  
I'll never lose it, never lose the will to love,  
Never lose the will.  
It's like something from up above.

Sometimes I ramble on and on  
And I repeat myself till all my friends are gone  
And get lost in snow and drown in rain  
And never feel the same again.

I remember the ocean from where I came  
Just one of millions all the same  
But somewhere someone calls my name  
I'm a harpoon dodger, and I can't, won't be tamed.

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I'll never lose it, never lose the will to love,

Never lose the will.  
It's like something from up above.

Baby, if I see boredom in your eyes  
I'll know my river has run dry  
But I won't turn back with that lonely tide  
I bought that ticket and I'll take that ride.

If we meet along the way  
Please sway beside me, let us sway together  
Our tails together and our fins and mind  
We'll leave this water and let our scales shine  
In the sun above and the sky below  
So all the water and earth will know

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