A bright array of city lights as far as I can see The great white way shines through the night for lonely guys like me

The cabaretes and honky tonks their flashing signs invite A broken heart to lose itself in the glow of city lights

Lights that say forget her name in a glass of cherry wine Lights that offer other girls for empty hearts like mine They paint a pretty picture of a world that's gay and bright But it's just a mask for loneliness behind those city lights

The world was dark and God made stars to brighten up the night The God who put the stars above I don't believe made those lights

Oh it's just a place for men to cry when things don't turn out right

Just a place to run away and hide behind those city lights

Lights that say forget her love in a different athmosphere Lights that lure are nothing but a masquarade for tears They paint a pretty picture but my arms can't hold them tight And I just can't say I love you to a street of city lights