

# Keep Me

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This can't really be what life is all about  
Learning how to live just to live without  
The travesty's the irony and the irony is you  
I've traded in my sanctity for a cheaper shade of blue

And as I surrender to this sunken bed  
So afflicted by the tenant in my head  
Even now, I wonder how you lay her down to sleep  
When secretly I know it's my soul that you pray to keep  
But will you really keep me?

Keep me on your porch, on your tongue  
Beating in your chest, or coming undone  
Folded neatly in the cover of your favorite book

Keep me at a distance in your maze  
Fumbling through a contemplative haze, keep me  
Or tucked away clandestinely where no one else will look  
Where my broken sky reaches to your velvet sea  
Will you keep me?

Drowning in the bottom of this empty glass  
I pray, God is good and that this too shall pass  
Then from the abyss maybe, I'll find a sweet reprieve  
When the echo of your kiss reminds me to believe  
That you'll always keep me

Keep me under God or on your wall  
Behind closed doors forever after all  
Or headed south on the blacktop ribbon we designed

Keep me, the mantle of integrity  
Investing in something, I'll never see  
Keep me at 30,000 feet or in the windows of your mind  
In a corner of your heart under lock and key  
Will you keep me?

Traipsing on hallowed ground has brought a lifelong sentence  
Now living without your breath to fill my lungs will be my penance  
And even as I feel, I hope, you feel it just as deeply  
And even though you've let me go, say, "You'll always keep me"  
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The melody you misconstrue on the ocean crashing into you  
Or waiting for the man you'll never have the heart to be  
In the fervent strains of the tragic elegy  
Will you keep me, will you keep me, will you keep me?