## **Sustain**

## The Waterboys

Blues are falling like showers of rain But I don't feel like crying Death is abroad this day But I don't feel like dying I learned how to sustain myself How to sustain myself in storms

Her tongue was like a scythe And all her bones were haunted A scapegoat for her life Was all she ever wanted I learned how to sustain myself in storms

Sir Bedivere slept in the field His armour strewn around him Curled foetus-like beneath his shield, Still weeping when we found him

I teetered on the edge of doom Degenerate and broken She sucked the poison out of my wounds And spoke the great unspoken I learned how to sustain myself in storms

His monstrous ego, whipped and driven Raged beneath his clothing The compliment he paid was given Not with grace but loathing

Deliverance is at the gate With arms and gold in store She apologises for being late But I don't need her anymore I learned how to sustain myself How to sustain myself in storms

Scoured and stripped of all pretence Shorn of all illusion I offer nothing in my defence - you may draw your own conclusions I learned how to sustain myself in storms