

How Long Have You Been There

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I've been walking in the shadows for so long that I forgot the
sun can shine
I've turned away from everone and everything that wanted to be
mine
Somehow I always shot my eyes and heart to everything that I co
uld share
Now I'm standing still and I'm wondering just how long have you
been there

And every path I've taken I have turned around and quickly clos
ed the door
It seems as though I knew if I ever stop to feel I want more
I kept a steady run so my eyes could never focus anywhere
Now I'm standing still and I'm wondering just how long have you
been there

How long have you been standing there protecting me from love t
hat shouldn't be
Knowing all alone that I could realize that you were meant for
me

Now I've got to mend every broken fence and bridge that I have
burned
I've got to clear away the cobwebs in my heart so I can start t
o learn
For I realize that you've been waiting just to teach me how to
care
Now I'm standing still and I'm wondering just how long have you
been there

And now I'm standing still and I'm wondering just how long have
you been there