

# Three Days Before Autumn

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He's singing at the foot of the throne  
Three days before autumn, a cold winter came  
Blew in on a telephone cord, when my friend went away  
And I swear I heard thunder at the sound of his name  
And he never even knew me at all  
But I loved him the same

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Chalk it up to the luck of the draw  
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'Cause I'm broken and breathless and bent to the ground  
And I'm listening Lord, but I don't hear a sound  
And though the angels in Heaven are dancing around  
To the music that I want to hear

And I'm watching and wishing and wondering why  
This silence is louder the harder I try  
And though I can't believe it, I can't deny  
That the winter came early this year  
Yeah, the winter came early this year

And I stood in the kitchen, and I stared at the wall  
And I prayed for some wisdom, so I could make a little sense of it all  
And I thought about the seasons, and how quickly the pass  
Now there's little to do but hope that the good ones will last

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And this night is beautiful. I see the sky about to rain  
And I think I hear the wild wind howling  
Come to blow me away

And I take comfort in knowing that this ain't my home  
And though I am lonely, I ain't alone  
And I know that he's singing at the foot of the throne  
That don't seem to matter down here  
'Cause the winter came early this year  
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