Good Enough

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When footsteps from that Sunday march faded out into the dark The melody blows in to ease the pain Two thousand years and we're still here fighting over the same old fear The muddy steps of hate can't stand this rain

I'll stand up on this stage as if it was my altar I'll face down all the rage and no, I will not falter Say I'm good enough to play but not good enough to stay In your heart

The mat on the floor says welcome, the sign on the door says no Says 'No coloreds allowed unless you're playing in the show' Well I've never seen a color except the ones up in the sky When I see this kind of hatred I die a little inside

I'll stand up on this stage as if it was altar I'll face down all this rage and no, I will not falter Say I'm good enough to play but not good enough to stay And when you finish your song boy you've got to be on your way But if I'm good enough to play then I'm good enough to stay In your heart

This one's for the Godfather, Duke, Ella, and the Count And for all those who fought their way here no matter the amoun t For all of God's children walking through dumpsters in the back Had to finish their show and leave just because their skin was black

They stood up on the stage as if it was their altar They faced down all the rage and no, they did not falter They were good enough to play but not good enough to stay And when they finished their songs boy they had to be on their way They were good enough to play and somehow they've always stayed In our hearts

And if I'm good enough to play then we've got to find the space In our hearts