Gold

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Oh, the night is growing colder And the stars have lost their shine And I have been forsaken By everything I thought was mine

For in the darkest hour When the final story's told No matter how bright I glittered, baby I could never be gold

You gave up your finest treasure For the one you saw in me But how could I know the measure Of all you needed me to be

Though I came with sweet intentions More my pockets could not hold No matter how bright I glittered, baby I could never be gold

I finally gave up counting The ways you said I let you down When I fell into that river of no return And you watched me drown

Oh, I could sparkle like a diamond Have silver line my soul But no matter how I glittered, baby I could never be gold

You looked so high and low for heaven I tried so hard to show the way But though I flew on wings of angels My feet were always made of clay

I could come trailing clouds of glory But you saw nothing to behold No matter how bright I glittered, baby I could never be gold No matter how bright I glittered, baby I could never be gold