## AFTER THE FALL

The air it was warm, the summer was nigh
There was green in the grass, there was blue in your eyes
As we watched it unfold in a flickering wind
We would never grow old, it would always begin
Caught in a time, caught in a trance
All for the sake of a sacred romance
Golden light, golden vows
Who would think I'd be seeing you now
With that fear in your eyes and the sun sinking low
And you standing there in your sweater and shawl
Hey, where's the surprise, didn't you know
Winter must come after the fall

So we brought it to earth, we laid it to rest
We asked for the heavens and we settled for less
With the wink of an eye and the twist of a blade
We would somehow get by, all the deals would be made
Holding her close, dragging her down
Begging for love where it cannot be found
Final call, last embrace
Partners change and you're there face to face
Where the life turns to lies and the life fades away
And what do you get for the thrill of it all
A flash in the night, a darkening of day
And token regret after the fall

And the wheel it keeps turning, the belt it keeps tightening The years they keep running, but the years have run dry And we watch it all burning in the glare of the lightning And the tears they keep coming and I cannot close my eyes There's a chill in the air, there's a chill in the heart
There's too few who care and they're too far apart
So we keep it inside, living under the gun
There's so much to hide and there's nowhere to run
Take what you can, stand til the end
But how can you stand when you can't even crawl
So where do we go and what will remain
And who'll take the blame after the fall