

When You're Already More than Friends

So now she's given me the speech
That every man hates to hear
The one that rips into the soul
With a razor-edged frozen tear
The lyrics change at the singer's whim
But somehow the words still end
With a smile and a touch and a broken heart
And "We can still be friends."

How do you forget that she's your heart
When you've held her late at night
When you've kissed her lips and seen her eyes
Sparkle by the moon's silver light
How do you turn back the clock in your heart
Put on a mask and pretend
How can you be friends with her anymore
When you're already more than friends?

I can't think about her without hearing her laugh
Or remembering the taste of her kiss
Or the scent of her hair on my pillow at night
As she snuggled against my chest
I still hear her whisper my name in her sleep
With her pretty lips curled in a smile
Now I'm supposed to forget all of that?
That will take a long, long while.

The places we went to all still look the same
The restaurants and parks are still there
And the star that we wished for "forever" upon
Still twinkles and dances in air
The world is still turning but something has changed
Like the universe came loose at the ends
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My sun rose with her smile, my spring came with her kiss
Now that's all been taken away
The bright, cheerful rainbow she brought to my world
Has faded to dull shades of gray
My heart wants to scream and my soul wants to sob
And my body wants to curl up and die
Because all of the million tomorrows I'd planned
Just packed up and bid me goodbye.

A man must be brave and endure every blow
And act with honor, no matter the hurt.
He must stand tall and proud before all the world
Though his soul's on its knees in the dirt
So it's just one more day that I have to be strong
Then another, and the play never ends
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