

A Beautiful Life

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It's like heart surgery in an earthquake
It just occurred to me those might be high stakes
To heal what's hurtin' me while the world shakes around
Well, I'm waitin' here on you, waitin' on the shelf
I've tried to change what's true, everything about myself
You wouldn't want me to, and that's the joke
And I'm the clown

But all this worry
Well, I say it was worth it
Well, nothin' ever is perfect
Still, we learn the truth in time
And though it hurts me
You know I don't regret it
So I let it teach me to give
And teach me how to really live
A beautiful life

I've got a fighter in my heart
And it runs on dreams
You walked in with a smile
Like gasoline
And found myself wondering
What would it mean to burn it down?
So I tallied what the cost would be
Counted in my head
It's easy math to me, but I guess instead
You prefer geometry
And need the proof to work it out

But all this worry
Well, you say it was worth it
Well, nothin' ever is perfect
Will we learn the truth in time?
And though it hurts me
You know I don't regret you
So I let you teach me to give
And teach me how to really live
A beautiful life, life

You know we are the last
With a birth and a death
But it's every breath in-between
That's our choice for what it really means
For a beautiful life