The empty streets
The songs of twilight
The clouds at rest
The church bells chiming
A scarecrow shudders
And some birds tremble
I looked at you and saw it's time

The faded flowers
The faded pictures
Of faded lives
Your body waiting
And unfulfilled
With no regrets
And empty heart
And head in hands
I heard them say today it's time

The sunset heavy
On mother mountain
The cattle lowing
The cattle dreaming
The endless rain
In haunted airs
Your loss of hope
We were shown
We were shown it's only time

The smell of rain
The twilight leaning
Against your lips
Waterwheels turning
The forests brooding
You took my hand
And pointed full of pain
That fishes dying
You see the sign that this was time

I waited years for you
Or so it seemed
And stumbled through your world
Praying for just one kiss
To stop my fall from grace
And shelter in your palm
You gave me everything
Both lock and key
The oil clouds see it's only time

If I could have one wish As in the fairy tales I would unmake my past And rise like Lazarus And stand in sunlight And banish all the dark That locked my face away And say to you again Oh that

That was only time

So willow weep not for me
And oak bend not for me
Though others died for us
And in our place
Though in the secret heart
Raw wound, raw source of all
I heard the news today
Whispered in the dark
At last
At last we know it's time

I knew at last it's only time
I'll come in glory

End of story