

# Good While It Lasted

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You're like sleep, take what I can get  
But I've gotta make some sense of this, so here the fuck I sit  
At 3 a.m., trying way too hard  
To find the words to slow my sweet, addicted heart

You're like sleep, I can't get near enough  
And I pretend that I don't need you when I'm out doing stuff  
Went so deep, a lucky young man's dream  
And last time I tried this sober, I was seventeen

And all that I needed was all that I had  
It was good while it lasted  
You let me kiss you on Broadway in a black Cadillac  
It was good while it lasted  
Last night I didn't sleep at all, I found another empty wall  
And I couldn't get past it  
And for a minute in the afternoon, I almost didn't think of you  
It was good while it lasted

It's more than real, a plastic universe  
And I wanna know your secrets, even when it hurts  
You speak so soft, but there's something dark in there  
And I think I'll ask for more than just a love affair

You're like sleep, and the nights are adding up  
Well, I wish I still smoked cigarettes and acted tough

And all that I had was all that I needed  
It was good while it lasted  
With your head on my shoulder, my soldiers retreated  
It was good while it lasted  
A mattress on the palace floor and a light I'd never seen before  
And I couldn't get past it  
And for a little while this afternoon, I dreamed that I was in your room  
And it was good while it lasted

Baby, let me learn from you  
How'd you get that shade of blue?  
What's it like from where you stand?  
Let me hold your steady hand

And all that I wanted was all that I had  
And it was good while it lasted  
Now I feel like a boy who got caught being bad  
And it was good while it lasted

That night you came and stayed with me, painted on my memory  
I'll never get past it  
I got to hold a piece of you in the evening on the avenue  
It was good while it lasted