## It Could Have Been Better

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I was very sad last night You came by I was so glad though sadness covered The smile I kept for you I was waiting for the cloud to pass over Then I could show my love

You could have made me laugh if you'd stayed But you left I was more confused than I was before you came I was frightened I saw insanity and tears I shouted for you to stay

It could have been better If you had held my hand And smiled at me Or questioned why My face was so distorted

I'm back in the sunlight again Oh I'm so glad It's only joy I wanna give to you Sometimes I feel lost and desperate Please forgive me If I show no sign of reasoning Or consideration In my bleaker times