## **Thirteen Invitations**

## **Mercyful Fate**

The mansion was right on the shore Down by the lake Nobody had lived here before But the Devil himself Thirteen invitations Sent out through the night Thirteen invitations They would all arrive in time They gathered around the mansion Thirteen in all They had the same intention Never to fall Thirteen invitations Sent out through the night Thirteen invitations Promising eternal life So you want to be alive forevermore I will turn the wheel of time None of you will ever have to die I will turn the wheel of time Turning the wheel Turning the wheel of time But first we must play a game The game of souls Sit down! Don't move around! Deal those cards! They played all night 'till the morning light And the Devil, he smiled on his own They played all night for eternal life Or the chance of losing their souls High will win, low is the sin They played all night in the burning light The thirteen were sharing a nine High will win, low is the sin The final card was in the Devil's hand The King of Diamonds would win They could never leave the mansion Forever inside They had lost their souls of creation But they were alive Thirteen invitations Sent out through the night Thirteen invitations And the mansion was mine