Gold is a night, lonely lovin' bye
No Markenberg gon' say
Her goodbye cut like a knife
Won't be no diamond ring
On a pretty left hand
I better understand

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How long till the hurt fades?
How much whiskey does a man drink
Till the "you ain't here" is gone?
How dark is a storm cloud?
How hard is the come down?
How much rain till the dam breaks?
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On my head, hold it all back Keep it in care, boys don't cry Settle on up, go and get stuffed Ride until the morning light

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Can it take what you've given me?
Can it take all these memories?
Can it take all I'm feeling now?
Well, I figure I'ma figure out

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