## My Skin

## **Natalie Merchant**

Take a look at my body, look at my hands
There's so much here that I don't understand
Your face-saving promises whispered like prayers
I don't need them'Cause I've been treated so wrong

I've been treated so long

As if I'm becoming untouchable

Well, contempt loves the silence, it thrives in the dark

With fine winding tendrils that strangle the heart

They say that promises sweeten the blow

But I don't need them

No, I don't need them

I've been treated so wrong

I've been treated so long

As if I'm becoming untouchable

I'm the slow dying flower

I'm the frost killing hour

The sweet turning sour and untouchableOh, I need the darkness, the sweetness

The sadness, the weakness

Ooh, I need this

I need a lullaby, a kiss goodnight

Angel sweet love of my life

Oh, I need this

I'm a slow dying flower

Frost killing hour

The sweet turning sour and untouchable

Do you remember the way

That you touched me before

All the trembling sweetness I loved and adored?

Your face-saving promises whispered like prayers

I don't need themI need the darkness, the sweetness

The sadness, the weakness

Ooh. I need this

I need a lullaby, a kiss goodnight

Angel sweet love of my life

Oh, I need this Well, is it dark enough? Can you see me?

Do you want me? Can you reach me?

Or I'm leaving

You better shut your mouth, and hold your breath

And kiss me now, or catch your death

Oh, I mean thisOh, I need this

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