

## Barbra Streisand "If I Could"

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If I Could  
I'd protect you from the sadness in your eyes  
give you courage in a world of compromise  
yes I would  
If I could  
I would teach you all the things I've never learned  
and I'd help you cross the bridges that I've burned  
yes I would  
if I could  
I would try to shield your innocence from time  
but the part of life I gave you isn't mine  
I've watched you grow  
so I could let you go  
if I could  
I would help you make it through the hungry years  
but I know that I can never cry your tears  
but I would  
if I could  
if I live in a time and place where you don't want to be

you don't have to walk along this road with me  
my yesterday won't have to be your way  
if I knew  
how I'd try to change the world I brought you to  
and there isn't very much that I can do  
but I would  
if I could  
if I could  
I would try to shield your innocence from time  
but that part of life I gave you isn't mine  
I watched you grow so I could let you go  
if, if I could  
I would help you make it through those hungry years  
but I know that I can never cry your tears  
but I would  
if I could  
yes I would  
yes I would  
if I could

