Billy Joel "The Great Wall Of China"

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Advice is cheap you can take it from me
It's yours to keep 'cause opinions are free
Nobody knows about the trouble I've seen
Nobody's perfect, mister, nobody's clean
It costs too much and takes too long to find out too late
Some words are not heard 'til after they're spoken
Your role was protective, your soul was too defective
Some people just don't have a heart to be broken

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We could have gone all the way to the Great Wall of China

If you'd only had a little more faith in me In lieu of diamonds, gold and platinum reminders will still shine bright

All the king's men and all the king's horses Can't put you together the way you used to be We could have been standing on the Great Wall of China

You take a piece of whatever you touch
Too many pieces means you're touching too much
You never win if you can't play it straight
You only beat me if you get me to hate
It must be so lonely to think that you have only

Somebody else's life to live if they let you I ain't too selective, but it don't take no detective To find out how fast your friends will forget you

We could have gone all the way to the Great Wall of China

Now all you're going to be is history Help yourself, it's all you can eat at the Empire Diner tonight

You could had class, you could been a contender Charlie, you should a looked out for me You could have been standing, standing on the Great Wall of China

This was not your calling, just look how far you've fallen

I heard your story, man, you've got to be joking Keep things in perspective, this is my true objective Why tear this heart out if it's only been broken?

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