

## **Baez Joan**

### **"Love Song To A Stranger"**

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How long since I've spent a whole  
night in a twin bed with a stranger  
His warm arms all around me  
How long since I've gazed into  
dark eyes that melted my soul down  
to a place where it longed to be?  
All of your history has little to do  
with your face;  
You're mainly a mystery with  
violins filling in space.

You stood in the nude by the mirror  
and picked out a rose  
from the bouquet in our hotel  
And laid down beside me again,  
and I watched the rose  
on the pillow as it fell.  
I sank and I slept in a twilight  
with only one care -  
To know that when day broke and I woke  
that you'd still be there.

The hours, for once,  
they passed slowly, unendingly by  
Like a sweet breeze on a field;  
Your gentleness came down upon me  
And I guess I thanked you  
When you caused me to yield  
We spoke not a sentence  
And took not a footstep beyond  
our two days together  
which seemingly soon would be gone.

Don't tell me of love everlasting -  
and other sad dreams -  
I don't want to hear.  
Just tell me of passionate strangers  
who rescue each other  
from a lifetime of cares.  
And if love means forever,  
expecting nothing returned,

Then I hope I'll be given  
another whole lifetime to learn.

'cause I took from you  
oh so many things  
It makes me wonder how they could  
belong to me,  
And I gave you only my dark eyes which  
melted your soul down to a place  
where it longed to be -

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