

## **Emmylou Harris**

### **"Gold"**

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Oh, the night is growing colder  
And the stars have lost their shine  
And I have been forsaken  
By everything I thought was mine

For in the darkest hour  
When the final story's told  
No matter how bright I glittered, baby  
I could never be gold

You gave up your finest treasure  
For the one you saw in me  
But how could I know the measure  
Of all you needed me to be

Though I came with sweet intentions  
More my pockets could not hold  
No matter how bright I glittered, baby  
I could never be gold

I finally gave up counting

The ways you said I let you down  
When I fell into that river of no return  
And you watched me drown

Oh, I could sparkle like a diamond  
Have silver line my soul  
But no matter how I glittered, baby  
I could never be gold

You looked so high and low for heaven  
I tried so hard to show the way  
But though I flew on wings of angels  
My feet were always made of clay

I could come trailing clouds of glory  
But you saw nothing to behold  
No matter how bright I glittered, baby  
I could never be gold  
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