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Mavis Staples "The Songwriter"

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The date was set, this night was saved (the music played) For holy vows to be unmade Silent bouquets fell to the floor (with no remorse) Forsaking what theyÂ're living for

Your passion cut so deep, it bled But now, the songwriter is dead

Now hereÂ's to the way, hereÂ's to the truth HereÂ's to the life that you once knew before your passion died inside of you Now hereÂ's to the song that you once played Before all meaning died and all the words faded away

We are composers who have fallen We are the poets whoÂ've died young We are directors whoÂ've forgotten We are lifeÂ's writers and all our hope is gone

How far will we fall? Our passion dies, here tonight. WeÂ've forsaken our first loveÂ... Look how far weÂ've fallen from

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