

## Melissa Etheridge "The Prison"

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I was high and dry like the Kansas sky  
If I ached for any more I knew I'd surely die  
Night after night trying to get out of my skin  
Day after lonely day  
You'd send me back again

I have stood inside this prison  
I have touched its stony walls  
I know before you try to run  
You gotta learn to crawl  
I tried to leave it all behind me  
I drove all night just to drive all day  
But the walls of this prison still surround me  
And I can't break away

I held you so close I thought my soul would break  
But you were just a ghost  
The holiest mistake  
I will not be a judge or the one to set you free  
I'll just keep on drivin'  
And time's a friend to me

I have stood inside this prison  
I have touched its stony walls

I know before you try to run  
You gotta learn to crawl  
I tried to leave it all behind me  
I drove all night I drove all day  
But the walls of this prison still surround me  
And I can't break away

The sentence has been read everything is done  
I wish I could say goodbye to you  
Wish I could hold the sun  
My eyes are dull and burnt  
And they lie to me sometimes  
Cause I thought I saw you cryin'

I have stood inside this prison  
I have touched its stony walls  
I know before you try to run

You gotta learn to crawl  
I tried to leave it all behind me  
In my dreams somehow I got away  
But the walls of this prison still surround me  
And I can't break away

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