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Joplin Janis "Ball And Chain"

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Ball and Chain

by

Janis Joplin

(Please take the accuracy of these lyrics with a grain of

salt. Janis

is a pretty hard chic to understand.)

Sitting down by my window

Looking at the rain

Send a bomb in my world of night air

All around I felt it

All I could see was the rain

Something grabbed a hold of me honey

Felt to me, honey like a ball and chain

You know what I mean

Say whoah...honey, this can't be

Just because I got to want your love, please...leave me

be

Whoah...honey, this can't be

Just because I got to need ya daddy

Please don't ya let me down now

Honey, I wanted to love ya

Whoah...honey, just can't be

I wonder if someone...if they could tell me

Tell me why

Just because I got to want your love

Honey, just because I got to need, need, need your

love

I say, I don't understand

Honey, when I wanna try and say hi

Try, try, try, try, try, try, try...

Honey, when everybody in the world wants the same

damn thing

When everybody in the world, who needs the same

lone thing

When I wanna work for your love daddy

When I wanna try for you love daddy

I don't understand, how come, your gone, man

I don't understand why half the world is still crying,

man

When the other half the world is still crying too, man

I mean, if you gotta care for one day, man

Say, maybe, you wanna care for 365 days, right?
You ain't got it for 365 days, man
You got it for one day, man
Well, I'll tell you that one day, man, better be your life,
man
Because you know, you can say Oh Man,
you can cry about the other 364
But your gonna lose that one day, man
And that's all you got
You gotta call that love, man.
That's what it is.

If you got it today, you don't wear it tomorrow

Cause you don't need it

As a matter of fact, as we discovered on the train, tomorrow never happens.

It's all the same fucking day, man.

So you gotta, when you wanna hold somebody

You gotta hold em like it's the last minute of your life

You gotta hold.....

Holy...Cause some day some weight gonna come on your shoulders babe

Ball

and Chain.

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