

## **Natalie Merchant**

### **"Seven Years"**

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How did I love you?  
There was no measuring  
Far above this dirty world  
Far above everything  
In your tower over it  
You were clean

So warm and insightful  
Were you in my eyes  
I was sure the rightful  
Guardian of my life  
Damn you betrayer  
How you lied

But for seven years  
You were loved  
I laid golden orchid crowns around your feet

And for seven years  
I bowed down to touch the ground  
So wholly your devotee

You were, you were  
All I could see

I've got my sight now  
I see everything you hid  
So don't you try to right now  
All the wrong you did  
I might forget you  
But never forgive

But for seven years  
You were loved  
I laid golden orchid crowns around your feet

And for seven years  
I bowed down to touch the ground  
So wholly your devotee

And for seven years  
You were so revered

I made offerings of anything and everything I had

You were, you were  
All I could see  
You were, you were all  
All I could see  
See, you were, you were all  
All I could see  
See, you were, you were all  
All I could see  
See, you were, you were all  
All I could see

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