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## **Spin Doctors** "Forever Collapses"

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Night's the garden wall Evening's a creeping vine And our fingers are woven Into stanzas that rhyme The thunder is such a fright And the sky is a cloth And the moon's bright night light Reflects off a moth

In your sad arms she comforts Time is devout And forever collapses to the span of a flower. Forever collapses to the span of a flower

I'm your insane stallion Bridled by your tune My hooves upturn your meadow And my eyes reflect the moon Your lips are a sunset And your glance engulfs mine Your sweet respiration turns my water into wine

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I'm your dark king, And you were queen to me And the dead made me hades. Demeter made you persephone All my dead subjects They shall not see the sun

Oh, to live past the three-headed dog You're the only living one Ah, the only living one Oh, the living one

Ya ba ba ba ba...etc.

You live beneath the gnarly roots, Not for death or misdeed.

You remain by my side for my love And 6 of my pomegranate seeds And for the other 6 moons I release your hand And your mother demeter Bring her queen back to the land

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The king of the dead Reaches into the roots Of the ceiling of his kingdom And plucks down for his side One living colored breathing blossom

(the following was spoken on 5/24/92 at the fastlane ii. it causes the whole song to make Sense.)

The king of the dead, Inspecting the borders of his dark kingdom Finds persephone, the daughter of demeter, The goddess of spring, and all green things Picking flowers. The lonely king of the dark land, Smitten with love in that moment, Bleeding from an arrow of cupid Decided in that moment to make persephone his wife. Stealing her he brought her down, Down to his kingdom of night, Where only the dead are. Demeter, the mother of persephone, In a fit of sadness, weeping for her daughter Allowed all the green things of the world to die. The people of the world were starving, And they went to zeus and demanded That he make demeter bring back the spring, For the winter had raged on for years. A trial was held in the kingdom of the dead. Hades agreed that if persephone had not taken anything from his Kingdom that she would freely be allowed to leave And join her mother on the earth above. One of the dead subjects of the dark king Spoke up saying that he had seen the daughter of spring Eat 6 pomegranate seeds. It was decided that she would live 6 months under the earth with Hades, the God of the dead, and for the other 6 months she would be Allowed to rise, and demeter would bring spring back to the land. And every 6 months that her daughter is beneath the earth, All the green things die, and winter holds reign until The king of the dead relinquishes the hand of the daughter of Spring, and allows her to return to her mother, who allows The green to return in spring to the surface of the earth.

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