

# I Gave

## Elizabeth Shepherd

"Where is my faith? Even in my innermost feelings, there is nothing except emptiness and darkness. If I ever become a saint, I will surely be a saint of the darkness"- Mother Teresa  
She takes her time to wipe his eyes as  
they water - her soul took the bait

She's fearless as she weaves through their illness and glides over hate

Once called by faith but now a daily fall so far from His grace

"My Father," she calls "why this darkness?" - but silence awaits  
I gave my all to see, sacrificed joyfully;  
but if I can't believe, what now's your heaven to me?

My hope a shadowland, doubt is on what I stand.

Love saw the best in me, what now's the greatest of these?  
Her bent knees grow tired from the asking, her back's  
ached for years

Passersbys move slightly to the side - part reverence, part fear

She longs to yell, to tell her world of sorrow: "I'm drowning in tears;

Look - see us here, we're all begging for something, but who's going to hear?"

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