Sisters Of Mercy

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(Leonard Cohen)Oh the sisters of mercy they are not departed or gone
They were waiting for me when I thought that I just can't go on
And they brought me their comfort and later they brought me this song
Oh I hope you run into them you who've been trav'lling so longYes you who must leave everything that you cannot control
It begins with your family but soon it comes around to your soul
Well I've been where you're hangin' and I think I can see how you're pinned
When you're not feeling holy your loneliness says that you've sinnedWell they lay down beside me I made my confessions to them
They touched both my eyes and I touched the dew on their hem
If your life is a leaf that the seasons tear off and condemn
They will bind you with love that is graceful and green as a stemWhen I left they were sleeping I hope you run into them soon
Don't turn on the lights you can read their address by the moon
And you won't make me jealous if I find that they sweetened your night
We weren't lovers like that and besides it would still be all right
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