

Swim

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But I feel a little less so each time
Your love is so colorful
It flashes like a neon sign But I finally drove out where
The sky is dark enough to see stars
And I found I missed no one
Just listening to the swishing of distant cars I hope I never see the ocean again
Pushing and pulling at me
As I go deeper and deeper in
Till I'm so far from my shore So far from what I came here for
I let you surround me
I let you drown me out with your din
And then I learned how to swim I was floating above myself
Watching her do just what you wanted
Poor little friendly ghost
Wondering why her whole house feels haunted I told myself I was strong enough
That I had plenty of blood to give
And each elbow cradled a needle
But listless and faint ain't no way to live So, I hope I never see the ocean again
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