

# Tower Song

**Townes Van Zandt**

So close and yet so far away  
And all the things I'd hoped to say  
Will have to go unsaid today  
Perhaps until tomorrow  
Fears have built a wall between  
Our lives and all that lovin' means  
Will have to go unfelt it seems  
And that leaves only sorrow  
You built your tower strong and tall  
Can't you see it's got to fall some day?  
You close your eyes and speak to me  
Of faith and love, and destiny  
As distant as eternity  
And truth, and understanding  
The wind blows cold outside your door  
Whispers words I've tried before  
But you don't hear me anymore  
Your pride's just too demanding  
You built your tower strong and tall  
Can't you see it's got to fall some day?  
The end is coming soon, it's plain  
A warm bed just ain't worth the pain  
And I will go and you'll remain  
With the bitterness we tasted  
A mother's breast, a newborn child  
A poet's tear and drunken smile  
But can't help thinkin' all the while  
Their meaning won't be wasted  
You built your tower strong and tall  
Can't you see it's got to fall some day?

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