I Am a Rock

Red House Painters

A winter's day in a deep and dark December
I am alone gazing from my window
To the streets below

On a freshly fallen silent shroud of snowI am a rock, I am an islandI've built walls a fortress deep and mighty

That none may penetrate

I have no need of friendship, friendship causes pain

It's laughter and loving I disdainI am a rock, I am an islandDon't talk of love but I've heard the word before
It's sleeping in my memory

I won't disturb the slumber of the feelings that have died

If I never loved, I never would have criedI am a rock, I am an islandI have my books and my poetry to protect me

I am shielded in my armor
Hiding in my room, safe within my womb
I touch no one and no one touches meI am a rock, I am an islandAnd a rock feels no pain
And an island never cries

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