All I Could Do

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I had a show a few weeks ago It's getting harder and harder to sing And it is hard to focus on my guitar playing When inside a baby is kicking At first I was sad and scared 'Cause this is all I know how to do Then John and Peter played standing up Sometimes something will change And that change will change you Then I thought back to six years ago When Brian Pilkton told me to play He gave me a car, a typewriter, a guitar Before that all I could do was count days Then I thought back to before my coma Rehab in Tacoma, my junkie roommates And all that I knew how to do was Put cigarettes out on myself, I took pills and I drank And I thought back to when I was 15 How I was squeaky clean and I wanted to die I was feeding the homeless while combating loneliness All I could do was keep living a lie Then I think back to that 12 year old poet How she didn't know it was what she would be All she could do was hide under her bed Scared to death that somebody might read her diary You see I have changed and I'll keep on changing And maybe my song-writing will suffer But it's okay if at the end of the day All I can do next is just be a good mother It's okay if at the end of the day All I can do next is be a good mother

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