## My Skin

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Take a look at my body, look at my hands

There's so much here that I don't understand

Your face saving promises, whispered like prayers

And I don't need them'Cause I've been treated so wrong, I've been treated so long As if I'm becoming untouchableWell, contempt loves the silence, it thrives in the dark

The fine winding tendrils that strangle the heart

They say that promises sweeten the blow

But I don't need them, no I don't need themI've been treated so wrong, I've been treated so long

As if I'm becoming untouchable

I'm a slow dying flower in the frost killing hour

Sweet turning sour and untouchableOh, I need

The darkness

The sweetness

The sadness

The weakness

Oh, I need this

Need a lullaby

A kiss goodnight

Angel, sweet love of my life

Oh, I need this I'm a slow dying flower, frost killing hour

The sweet turning sour and untouchableDo you remember the way that you touched me before

All the trembling sweetness, I loved and adored

Your face saving promises, whispered like prayers

I don't need themI need the darkness

The sweetness

The sadness

The weakness

Oh, I need this

I need a lullaby

A kiss goodnight

Angel, sweet love of my life

Oh, I need this Well, is it dark enough

Can you see me?

Do you want me?

Can you reach me?

Or I'm leaving

Then you shut your mouth

And hold your breath

You kiss me now

You catch your death Oh, I mean this Oh, I mean this

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