## After the Fall

## **Ray Davies**

I just had a really bad fall
And this time it was harder to get up than before
I shouted to the heavens and a vision appeared
I cried out, Can you help? it replied, "Not at all"After the fall is over
You'll be on your own

After the fall is overThere'll be wrecks to clear in this war zone
There'll be much to clean and time to atone
But while it's dark you can shelter here

In the bleak midwinter when you're feeling the fear

Ah, but when the mist clears, the sun will shine againA life's gotta have direction after the deals are done You gotta ask the question, ask yourself why you go through it all

When morality kicks in, who will catch you when you fall?

I'm a sinner waiting at the traveler's rest

Seeking refuge from the storm, and I'm a grateful guestThen a prophet cries out in high platitudes

I smile and say, "Hey, I was just passing through"

Then an angel cries, "Wait, we'll tell you when to move"

Even at the gates of Heaven, I'll be waiting in a queueSeems like I'm falling upwards into the great white blue And all my imperfections, you can learn your lines and fabricate a show

But the way we come in, yeah, that's the way we're gonna go

We cheat and lie to conquer our fears

We can put on a smile just to cover up the tears

Ah, but when the mist clears, the sun will shine againAfter the fall

(After the fall is over)

There'll be a better day

After the fall is overSo, I fell on my arse, now, I'm feeling the pain

But the feeling will pass and so will the shame

The bigger the ego, the bigger the fall

When your reputation counts for nothing at all

Ah, but when the mist clears, the sun will shine again

I will greet you when the sun shines againAfter the fall

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