

# Cherish

**Barry Manilow**

Cherish is the word I use to describe  
All the feeling that I have hiding here for you inside  
You don't know how many times I've wished that I had told you  
You don't know how many times I've wished that I could hold you  
You don't know how many times I've wished that I could mold you  
Into someone who could cherish me as much as I cherish you  
Perish is the word that more than applies  
To the hope in my heart each time I realize

That I am not gonna be the one to share your dreams  
That I am not gonna be the one to share your schemes  
That I am not gonna be the one to share what seems to be  
The life that you could cherish as much as I do yours  
Oh, I'm beginning to think that man has never found  
The words that could make you want me  
That have the right amount of letters, just the right sound  
That could make you hear, make you see  
That you are driving me out of my mind

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