

# Last Song for Mother

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If I promise not to cry,  
Will you look me in the eye,  
And tell me that you've known me.  
I was your late, your lonely child,  
I am enhanced by all you've shown me. And in my youth I did defy you to the end,  
Please forgive my wildness then,  
Even I can't comprehend.  
What a mother's love has lent,  
To all that is me. And will you sing this song again?  
Let us sing it hand in hand,  
While the band is still playing.  
Before the light can lose your hand,  
Before I lose my voice again,  
Let us sing it while it's playing. And if I promise not to cry,  
Please look me in the eye.  
And say you've truly known me.  
'Tis the sweet sound of goodbye,  
Amazing grace, how sweet the sound.

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