Fairy Tales

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I can remember stories, those things my mother said

She told me fairy tales before I went to bed

She spoke of happy endings then tucked me in real tight

She turned my night light on and kissed my face good nightMy mind would fill with visions of perfect paradise

She told me everything, she said he'd be so nice

He'd ride up on his horse and take me away one night

I'd be so happy with him, we'd ride clean out of sight

She never said that we would, curse, cry and scream and lie

She never said that maybe, someday he'd say goodbyeThe story ends, as stories do

Reality steps into view

No longer living life in paradise

Of fairy tales, noShe spoke about happy endings, of stories not like this

She said he'd slay all dragons, defeat the evil prince

She said he'd come to save me, swim through the stormy seas

I'd understand the story, it would be good for me

You never came to save me, you let me stand alone

Out in the wilderness, alone in the coldMy story end, as stories do

Reality steps into view

No longer living life in paradise

No fairy tales, yesI don't look for pie up in the sky, baby

Need reality, now, said I

Don't feel the need to be pacified, don't cha try

Honey, I know you liedYou never came to save me, you let me stand alone

Out in the wilderness, alone in the cold

I found no magic potion, no horse with wings to fly

I found the poison apple, my destiny to die

No royal kiss could save me, no magic spell to spin

My fantasy is over, my life must now beginMy story end, as stories do

Reality steps into view
No longer living life in paradise
No fairy tales, hey, hey
Oh, Lord

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