

# On the Surface

## Bettye Lavette

It was cold on the docks that night  
As a frozen white light  
Shone across my shoes  
As I stood in the darkest blue  
There came a light towards me  
On the water that lay before me  
And I could not wait to touch  
The frozen hands that had felt so much  
I heard a song inside of me  
It resonated off the sea  
And all the chorus voices sang it back to me  
If life is an ocean then I'm only on the surface  
This is where they come in  
Where some lives end and some begin  
And this is where I like to stand  
  
And watch the swirling ways of man  
To stir humanity divisions of dignity  
To see what will conspire  
If I throw myself into its fire  
I heard a song inside of me  
It resonated off the sea  
And all the chorus voices sang it back to me  
If life is an ocean, then we're only on the surface  
I heard a voice inside of me  
I looked up and I saw the sky scream  
And there was light everywhere  
If life is an ocean then I must be on the surface  
Only on the surface

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