

# Living Proof

## Bruce Springsteen

Well now on a summer night in a dusky room  
Come a little piece of the Lord's undying light  
Crying like he swallowed the fiery moon  
In his mother's arms it was all the beauty I could take  
Like the missing words to some prayer that I could never make  
In a world so hard and dirty so fouled and confused  
Searching for a little bit of God's mercy  
I found living proof I put my heart and soul I put 'em high upon a shelf  
Right next to the faith the faith that I'd lost in myself  
I went down into the desert city  
Just tryin' so hard to shed my skin  
I crawled deep into some kind of darkness  
Lookin' to burn out every trace of who I'd been  
You do some sad sad things baby  
When it's you you're tryin' to lose  
You do some sad and hurtful things  
I've seen living proof You shot through my anger and rage  
To show me my prison was just an open cage  
There were no keys no guards  
Just one frightened man and some old shadows for bars Well now all that's sure on the boulevard  
Is that life is just a house of cards  
As fragile as each and every breath  
Of this boy sleepin' in our bed  
Tonight let's lie beneath the eaves  
Just a close band of happy thieves  
And when that train comes we'll get on board  
And steal what we can from the treasures treasures of the Lord  
It's been a long long drought baby  
Tonight the rain's pourin' down on our roof  
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