Loveless Lover

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Painted pictures of a prettier yesterday, Reds and yellows hide the ugly grey. Decorated costumes of a king: Tempt me with your diamond ring, Promise all the gifts you'll give. Oh, what a perfect life we would live!

Strip the paint and your crown; Take away your empty words. It's still the same old song:

Love me like a crutch Love me when I'm strong Take my time Take my mind Give your words like a lie Give your laughter when I cry

Strip the paint and your crown; Take away your empty words. It's still the same old song.

Wear me as your queen Wear me when it suits your need Ignore my fears Ignore my tears Paint your world Paint your dreams

You only loved me for loving you, you never loved me just for me.

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