Lyle Lovett, Lungs

(Townes Van Zandt)

Well won't you lend your lungs to me Mine are collapsing Plant my feet and bitterly breathe Up the time that's passing And breath I'll take and breath I'll give And pray the day's not poison Stand among the ones that live In lonely indecision

Fingers walk the darkness down Mind is on the midnight Gather up the gold you've found You fool it's only moonlight And if you try to take it home Your hands will turn to butter You better leave this dream alone Try to find another

Salvation sat and crossed herself Called the devil partner Wisdom burned upon a shelf Who'll kill the raging cancer Seal the river at its mouth Take the water prisoner Fill the sky with screams and cries Bathe in fiery answers

Jesus was an only son
And love his only concept
Strangers cry in foreign tongues
And dirty up the doorstep
And I for one and you for two
Ain't got the time for outside
Just keep your injured looks to you
We'll tell the world that we tried