## Melissa Etheridge, Love Child

You think that I don't feel love What I feel for you is real love In other's eyes I see reflected a hurt Scorn rejected

Love child Never meant to be Love child By society Love child Never meant to be Love child Take a look at me

I stand in my life In an old cold rundown tenement slum My father left he never even married mom I shared the guilt my mother knew So afraid that others knew I had no name

I was over contemplating(???) Is it worth the pain of waiting We'd only end up hating This child that we'd be creating

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I started at school In a worn torn dress somebody threw out I knew the way it felt to always live in doubt To be without the simple things So afraid that others knew I had no name

Don't think that I don't need you Don't think I don't want to please you But no child of mine will be wearing This name of shame I've been bearing

Love child Never meant to be Love child Born in poverty Oh love child Never quite as good Oh love child Misunderstood

I'll always love you I'll always love you You, you I'll always, I'll always love you