## Over The Rhine, Birds

fall on me
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birds of a feather in a featherless cap
poor lovers breed songs in a two-room flat
moist hands fold to pray for a painless truth
we dance on the tracks of a train called
youth
truth's on the table like a toxic spill
and we wrestle in the sheets with our own freewill
if we never shake hands with a phantom called fame
I'll still have your picture in a picture
frame
if you should fall
fall on me

forty-acre farm we can call our own with a chocolate lab and no telephone the full moon's leering in a lover's swoon and the apple tree's swaying to a windy tune (save me I'm falling for you) but we won't get to heaven if we just sit still if we don't cry murder maybe no one will we're riding tandem down Sycamore hill if we hit the brakes we're gonna take a big spill if you should fall fall on me

and if my hand were taken hold of I'd slip away with you love slip away with you love