

# Lauryn Hill, Lose Myself

I used to do it for the love a long time ago  
And all I ever wanted was love  
I used to love without fear a long time ago  
And all I ever wanted was love  
Then somebody came around and tried to hurt me  
Tried to make me feel like I was unworthy  
Took a pure love and tried to make it dirty  
Truth was they never did deserve me  
No!

Chorus:

I had to lose myself so I could love you better  
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love you better  
Had to lose myself, had to lose myself  
So I could love you better  
Had to lose myself in love  
And that's just the way it is

Couldn't tell me I was love when I needed it  
When, all I ever wanted was love.  
Shoulda told me just me because!  
I'm worth receiving it  
But all I ever wanted was love  
There's is something awkward about the selflessness it  
takes to  
Give love and the good that it makes you!  
True love can never really forsake you  
But it took a little while just for me to see!

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I had a paralyzing fear of facing failure  
And I couldn't love you perfectly with fear in my head  
So I peerlessly had to face the danger  
So I could come back and love you whole instead  
All of your soul I said!  
So I could make it better

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B-Sec:

And so it goes that I never meant to hurt you  
Couldn't stay but I never meant to desert you  
Whole lot a things I just had to work thru  
Time to heal and restore myself worth too  
Confrontation of my fears and anxiety  
Cried a whole lot years I suffered quietly

And though it may have taken years I can finally!  
Tell you that you were always on my mind!

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Bridge:

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Great love to absorb all the misuse I did  
Hey baby it's not an excuse I give.  
And I'd do it all again because for you I live

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