

# Natalie Merchant, Just Can't Last

I swear I know your face,  
I wish I knew your name  
I wish I could take you by the hand  
If I could name it  
If I could just explain it  
If I could only help you,  
help you understand

I can see that you're hurting  
weighed down like a beast of burden  
about to break your back.  
God only knows that you're human  
So what are they trying to do then  
Believe me, they don't understand  
that you have the weight of the world today  
It's on your back  
A heavy load like that is gonna hold you back  
It's gonna drag you down  
You know it just can't last, just can't  
You know it just can't last

They thought they could use you  
Push you down and abuse you  
And what's so sad is you've decided to hide  
all your feelings  
Got more pain than you can deal with  
but ask yourself how can this last

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