## Vienna Teng, The Tower

The one who survives by making the lives
Of others worthwhile
She's coming apart
Right before my eyes
The one who depends on the services she renders
To those who come knocking
She's seeing too clearly what she can't be
What understanding defies

She says I need not to need
Or else a love with intuition
Someone who reaches out to my weakness and won't let go
I need not to need
I've always been the tower
But now I feel like I'm the flower trying to bloom in snow

She turns out the light, anticipating night Falling tenderly around her Watches the dusk The words won't come She carries the act so convincingly The fact is sometimes she believes it She can be happy the way things are Be happy with the things she's done

And yet I need not to need
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Reach out, hold back Where is safety Reach out and hold back Where is the one who can change me Where is the one The one

Reach out, hold back Where is safety Reach out and hold back Where is the one who can save me Where is the one The one

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The danger and the power, the friend and the foe