

As if it Were the First Time

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And so the years have come and gone,
There have been rich times and there have been poor.
But the sadness of losing only serves to remind us
Of a life that we once lived before.
They're playing Christmas music already.
Halloween is hardly over and they're putting up those trees.
I am stifled by the air of expectations unfulfilled,
And long forgotten memories.

Chorus:

And in the end, after we've been through it over and over again,
Having lived through the darkness and the light,
And realizing they are inseparable from one another.
And in the end, despite all the lessons we'd thought we had learned,
We seem to want to repeat our mistakes,
And begin anew, as if it were the first time.

The last time I saw you,
I was standing outside a movie theatre in the drizzling rain.
You were shining radiant in my eyes,
But the distances between us we could not regain.
We spoke of a mutual friend –
How strange it was to see you there that particular day –
I remarked later to my boy
When, politely, you had taken leave and walked away.

Chorus:

And in the end, after we've been through it over and over again,
Having stepped out of the darkness into the light,
After believing we were inseparable from one another.
And in the end, despite all the changes I've put myself through,
I seem to want to repeat my mistakes,
And begin anew, as if it were the first time.

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A beautiful woman
Offered me devotion and a love so true.
In many respects, I must admit,
That she reminded me uncomfortably of you.
I turned her away,
And I can't seem to understand the reason why.
There are devils dancing in my heart,
And an angel staring sadly through my lonely eye.

Chorus:

And in the end, after we've been through it over and over again,
Having survived what is wrong and what is right,
And concluding all things are inseparable from one another.
And in the end, despite contradictory rumors ,
We all seem destined to acknowledge our mistakes,
And yet begin anew, as if it were the first time.