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If you could read my mind, love,
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What a tale my thoughts could tell.
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Just like an old time movie,
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'Bout a ghost from a wishing well.
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In a castle dark,
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Or a fortress strong, with chains upon my feet.
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You know that ghost is me,
And I will never be set free,
As long as I'm a ghost that you can't see.
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If you could read my mind, love,
What a tale your thoughts could tell.
Just like a paperback novel,
The kind the drugstores sell.
Then you reached the part
Where the heartaches come, the hero would be me.
But heroes often fail.
And you won't read that book again,
Because the ending's just too hard to take.
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I'd walk away
Like a movie star, who gets burned in a three-way script.
Enter number two:
A movie queen to play the scene
Of bringing all the good things back to me
But for now, love, let's be real.
I never thought, I could feel this way.
And I've got to say that I just don't get it.
I don't know where we went wrong,
But the feeling's gone, and I just can't get it back.
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Just like an old time movie,
'Bout a ghost from a wishing well.
In a castle dark,
Or a fortress strong, with chains upon my feet.
But stories always end
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And if you read between the lines
   C   D   G
You'll know that I'm just tryin' to understand
   C   G
The feelin's that you lack
   C   G
I never thought, I could feel this way.
   C   D
And I've got to say that I just don't get it.
   C   G
I don't know where we went wrong,
   C   D   G
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