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I saw her at the station Standing all alone A gentle rain was falling She was thinking of home So small and young No more than seventeen Her whole life lay ahead Mostly in her dreams If you only knew If you only knew

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She was kneeling at the alter Lifting up a prayer Begging for a miracle Help from anywhere Her husband of many years Seemed so mortal lying there But she wasn't giving up Just another cross to bear If you only knew

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