

DIAMONDS AND RUST (Joan Baez)

1

Fm C#
Well I'll be damned, here comes your ghost again
G# D#
But that's not unusual, it's just that the moon is full
Fm
And you happened to call
Fm C#
And here I sit, hand on the telephone
G# D#
Hearing a voice I'd known a couple of light years ago
Fm
Heading straight for a fall
Fm C#
As I remember your eyes were bluer than robin's eggs
G#
"My poetry was lousy," you said
D# Fm
Where are you calling from? A booth in the Midwest

Fm C#
Ten years ago, I bought you some cuff links
G#
You brought me something
D#
And we both know what memories can bring
Fm
They bring diamonds and rust

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2

Fm / A#m / Fm / A#m / Fm / C7

Fm C#
Well you burst on the scene already a legend
G# D#
The unwashed phenomenon, the original vagabond
Fm
You strayed into my arms...and there you stayed
C# G#
Temporarily lost at sea, the Madonna was yours for free
D# Fm
Yes the girl on the half-shell would keep you unharmed

Cm
Now I see you standing with brown leaves falling all around
A#m
An' snow in your hair
Cm
Now you're smiling out the window
A#m
Of that crummy hotel over Washington Square
C# G#
Our breath comes out white clouds, mingles & hangs in the air
F#
Speaking strictly for me,
G# C7
We both could have died then and there

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3

Fm

C#

Now you're telling me you're not nostalgic

G#

Then give me another word for it

D#

Fm

You who are so good with words and at keeping things vague

Fm

'Cause I need some of that vagueness now

C#

It's all coming back too clearly

G#

Yes, I loved you dearly

D#

Fm

And if you're offering me diamonds and rust, I've already paid

Fm

I've already paid

Fm

I've already paid.

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1

Em C
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G D
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Em
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Em C
And here I sit, hand on the telephone
G D
Hearing a voice I'd known a couple of light years ago
Em
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Em C
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D Em
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2

Em / Am / Em / Am / Em / B7

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2

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3

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