

# Dougie MacLean, Holding Back

It's in the darkness of believing  
It's in the shadows where we have to stand  
Beside the loving and the grieving  
O I'll never understand  
It's in the way it has to reach us  
It's in the restless of the shifting sand  
And all the truth it has to teach us  
O I'll never understand

Holding back to listen to the ocean  
Holding back to dance inside the storm  
I may be foolish but I don't care  
As long as you are there

From edge to edge we take our pleasure  
We follow blindly each insane command  
Judged by some eternal measure  
O I'll never understand  
O and peace is child to no-one  
We're held together by an endless strand  
First to be woven then to be undone  
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Soon all the promises are broken  
And expectation passes underhand  
And not a gentle word is spoken  
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