

## FIRE FOR THE WATER

*G#m* *E*  
Embers rise into the dark and then  
*G#m* *E*  
Swirl and kiss and are never seen again  
*G#m* *E*  
Fingers rise, curious, to count them,  
*G#m* *E* *G#m* *E*  
Catch them before allowing the stars to snatch them

*F#7* *G#m*  
Noiseless, they plunge from their deck  
*E*  
As it twists and cackles and shrieks in the flame,  
*F#7* *G#m*  
Wild with desire to hold purchase on the light  
*E*  
That burns them and forced their escape.

*G#m* *E*  
And there's you, and there's me, observing the scene of this  
*G#m* *E*  
graceful and terrified stream of refugees,  
*G#m* *E*  
smoke in our eyes, stars under our feet,  
*G#m* *E*  
we are only accidental bedfellows

### Chorus

*G#m* *E* *G#m* *E*  
Fire for the water, Fire for the water  
*B* *F#* *G#m*  
I need some fire for the water in me  
*B* *F#* *G#m*  
Give me fire for the water in me

*G#m* *E*  
I've waded into the shallows and tried to appear deep,  
*G#m* *E*  
Penetrated sleeping hours when you were not around to see;  
*G#m* *E*  
Do I settle in your ears as you're lashed around your mast,  
*G#m* *E* *G#m* *E*  
As I strike across your timbers, your wake caressing me apart?

*F#7* *G#m*  
And if I could carve from this beach another hour, another week  
*E*  
from those fawning little waves and rocks,  
*F#7* *G#m*  
For every weighted arm that comes to rest around me  
*E* *B* *F#*  
I count backwards from sixty and I do it a lot.

{*Chorus*}

*G#m* *E*  
Embers fall into the stars and then  
*G#m*  
Swirl and dance and kiss  
*E*  
And are never seen again.  
*G#m* *E*  
Eingers rise, curious, to count them,  
*G#m* *E*  
Catch them, hold them.

{*Chorus*}