**I Am A Rock Lyrics**

**Paul Simon**

A winter's day   
In a deep and dark December;   
I am alone,   
Gazing from my window to the streets below   
On a freshly fallen silent shroud of snow.   
I am a rock,   
I am an island.   
  
I've built walls,   
A fortress deep and mighty,   
That none may penetrate.   
I have no need of friendship; friendship causes pain.   
It's laughter and it's loving I disdain.   
I am a rock,   
I am an island.   
  
Don't talk of love,   
But I've heard the words before;   
It's sleeping in my memory.   
I won't disturb the slumber of feelings that have died.   
If I never loved I never would have cried.   
I am a rock,   
I am an island.   
  
I have my books   
And my poetry to protect me;   
I am shielded in my armor,   
Hiding in my room, safe within my womb.   
I touch no one and no one touches me.   
I am a rock,   
I am an island.   
  
And a rock feels no pain;   
And an island never cries.