

## Costello Elvis

### "Temptation"

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who's this kid with this mumbo-jumbo  
living in air-conditioned limbo  
though they treat him just like a guest  
living under threat of arrest  
now that he's finally trying to make some sense  
he drinks in self-defense  
give me temptation

the son told contempt of authority  
we'll take you anytime down to the station  
you say that is all right by me  
now you're living with the ghost of sophistication

now that you're shackled up to the rigmarole  
with absolute control  
I see you lying so wide awake  
after I've given you all that you can take  
so for heaven's sake  
give me temptation

still you want to succeed so badly  
finding your life will not be there  
but you tell me you can take it or leave it  
sometimes I think that you really believe it  
you're just itching to break her secret laws  
as you go from clause to clause  
give me temptation

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