

Despised Icon

"The Crow"

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That old crow came back today
Sitting in my window like a prophet
Out on the fire escape, to say
Anger is just love, left out, gone to vinegar
You wake up a stranger to yourself then you
Learn to live with her
Sit in her clothing 'til you fill out her figure
You know life's no bella telanovela
The tightrope bows with your weight in the center
The slide show don't put all the pictures together
You try to do it right though
Right though, until you let the kite go
Death and romance, the riddles of our lifetimes
Tryna get a slow dance, middle of a knife fight
You get up and you, you give blood
Even on a good night even on a good night out
You send signal, you listen for an echo
At the first splinters you run to tell Geppetto
And in the worst winters the whole thing feels
untenable
Crow took me by the shoulder
And he told me honey, don't let go

Nobody fears the height, you all just fear the fall
Go to the edge sometime
And prove your body wrong
You land badly, but you crash standing
You land badly, but you crash

He took me to the workshop
Showed me where the built the bodies
A blacksmith, a mason, a carpenter
And in the darkroom, where the whole assembly
started
All the clothesline where the hearts hung to harden
You come as fragile, soft machines
And you're bound to fast, you're bound to grieve
But you're built to balance on two feet
So why you living this last year from your knees

Oh please put me down again

I know you lost a bet
G'head and catch your breath
But when the worst relents
You learn to live on less
You duck some, you take some square
Your luck runs out, you're there in midair
And when the big one comes
You'll know by the snare roll
You can be too careful
Ignore all the scarecrows
Time flys like the crow does
No regard for the grid
I can't ask you to show love
But would it kill you if you did

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