

## Elvis Costello "Crimes Of Paris"

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I thought it was you with your optimist's view of the  
clock  
And how it's always another day, just after twelve  
o'clock's struck  
You said, "Now I only want you so I don't have to  
promise"  
But tiny children in grown-up clothes whispered all the  
crimes of Paris

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Or the cigarette girl in the sizzle hot pants  
All the words of love seem cruel and crass  
When you're tough and transparent as armored glass  
You're everywhere, girl, in an everyday mess  
Who'll pay for the crimes of Paris?

I heard that she fell for the, "Hell or to Hammer smith  
Blues"  
In the tiny torn up pieces of his mind he's irresistible  
too  
It's hard to say now if he's only stupid or smart  
As he crawled through the door  
And poured out more of his creeping Jesus heart

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And it's all here and now  
She hit him with that paper-weight Eiffel Tower  
And I tried to hold on to you but I don't know how  
And I find it hard to swallow good advice  
Like going down three times to only come up twice  
Come up twice

She's so convenient, he's always stiff as hair-lacquer  
It's hard to discover now he's in love with her  
It was her way of getting her own back  
You never did anything she couldn't do on her own

You're as good as your word and that's no good to her  
You'd better leave that kitten alone

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Whose gonna pay for the crimes of Paris?  
Who'll pay for the crimes of Paris?  
I'm gonna pay for the crimes of Paris?  
Whose gonna pay for the crimes of Paris?

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