

## **Fiona Apple**

### **"Criminal"**

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I've been a bad bad girl  
I've been careless  
With a delicate man  
And it's a sad sad world  
When a girl will break a boy  
Just because she can  
Don't you tell me to deny it  
I've done wrong and  
I want to  
Suffer for my sins  
I've come to you  
'Cause I need  
Guidance to be true  
And I just don't know  
Where I can begin  
What I need is  
A good defense  
'Cause I'm feelin'  
Like a criminal  
And I need  
To be redeemed  
To the one  
I've sinned against  
Because he's all  
I ever knew of love

Heaven help me  
For the way I am  
Save me from  
These evil deeds  
Before I get them done  
I know tomorrow brings  
The consequence at hand  
But I keep livin' this day like  
The next will never come

Oh help me but  
Don't tell me to deny it  
I've got to cleanse myself  
Of all these lies till  
I'm good enough for him  
I've got a lot to lose

And I'm bettin' high  
So I'm beggin' you  
Before it ends  
Just tell me where to begin

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Let me know the way  
Before there's hell to pay  
Give me room to lay  
The law and let me go  
I've got to make a play  
To make my lover stay  
So what would an angel say  
The devil wants to know

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