

Janis Ian "Watercolors"

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I remember photographs
Watercolors of the past
He turned and said,
"You ask much of me"
Then when we made our peace
We lay between the sheets
He turned and said,
"I set you free"
Go on, be a hero,
Be a photograph
Make your own myths,
Christ, I hope they last
Longer than mine
Wider than the sky
We measure time by
Go on, be a hero,
I set you free
Your stagehand lovers
Have conquered me
They'll send yu carnations
While smiling faces look on and applaud

Go on, go on, go away from me

I said, "Do you wish me dead?"

Lip service to books you've read

Articles on how to bed a bird in flight

You called it love

I called it greed

You say, "You take what you want"

I said, "You get what you need"

Go on, be a hero, be a man

Make your own destiny if you can

Go find a fence

Locate a shell

And hide yourself, go on, go to hell

Go away from me

I need no charity

He said, Come unto me

I am beauty I am the light

Come unto me

Hold the darkness and stay the night

I am wonder I am the heart's delight

Tomorrow we'll fight

Come on, come on

Come on, come near to me

Come be my fantasy

We'll talk it over again some time

You'll send some flowers to change my mind

But for tonight, turn out the light

Hold me, come on, come on,

And set me free

Lend me your charity

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