John Wesley Harding "Original Miss Jesus (Alternate Version)"

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"hey you" she said

"i think that I have something in my eye"

And she posed beneath the standard lamp

As her clothes waved goodbye

And she was

Naked as a new apology

For something she hadnt yet done

And he said "did I ever tell you the one about

The original miss jesus? "

"born before

Her more famous little brother mister christ

Sure, there were miracles

But out of the public eye

So they didnt

Think even to have her crucified

She just wrote some novels and then she died

And only her family cried for her

The original miss jesus

And then he came

The one that they wrote all the books about

The king of the rock opera

Whom she could do without (the sheik of do-without)"

"stop!" she said

"jesus could have been a boy or girl

History would still have been unkind

If hed been a her

Anyway

Just watch me turn this beer into air

As for redemption value, I dont care

But if you want, Ill even pretend to be

The original miss jesus"

So she was

The saviour

Of that sad and lonely room.

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