

## **Lou Reed**

# **"Dime Store Mystery"**

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He was lying banged and battered, skewered  
and bleeding talking crippled on the Cross  
Was his mind reeling and heaving  
hallucinating fleeing what a loss  
The things he hadn't touched or kissed  
his senses slowly stripped away  
Not like Buddha not like Vishnu  
life wouldn't rise through him again  
I find it easy to believe  
That he might question his beliefs  
The Beginning of the Last Temptation  
Dime Store Mystery  
The duality of nature, Godly nature, human nature  
splits the soul  
Fully human, fully divine and divided  
the great immortal soul  
Split into pieces, whirling pieces, opposites attract  
From the front, the side, the back

The mind itself attacks  
I know this feeling, I know it from before  
Descartes through Hegel  
Belief is never sure  
Dime Store Mystery, Last Temptation  
I was sitting drumming thinking thumping pondering  
the Mysteries of Life  
Outside the city shrieking screaming whispering  
the Mysteries of Life  
There's a funeral tomorrow at St Patrick's  
the bells will ring for you  
What must you have been thinking  
when you realized the time had come for you  
I wish I hadn't thrown away my time  
on so much Human  
and so much less Divine  
The end of the Last Temptation  
The end of a Dime Store Mystery

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