

## **Mark Knopfler**

# **"Punish The Monkey"**

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They're driving long nails into coffins  
You've been having sleepless nights  
You've gone as quiet as a church mouse  
And checking on your rights

The boss has hung you out to dry  
And it looks as though  
Punish the monkey  
And let the organ grinder go

You've been talking to a lawyer  
Are you gonna pretend  
That you and your employer  
Are still the best of friends?

Somebody's gonna take the fall  
There's your quid pro quo  
Punish the monkey  
Punish the monkey, yeah  
Punish the monkey  
And let the organ grinder go

Here comes a policeman  
He won't be sidetracked  
He's asking 'bout a smoking gun  
He's after the bad

It's a quiet life from here on in  
You dropped your poisoned cup  
The telephone is ringing  
But you're not picking up

Times I've said are flunky  
And everybody knows  
Punish the monkey  
(Punish the monkey)  
Punish the monkey, yeah  
(Punish the monkey)  
Punish the monkey  
And let the organ grinder go

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(Punish the monkey)  
Punish the monkey, yeah  
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