

## Crass "You Can Be Who?"

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Don't want to play at attack and defense  
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Respectable businessman smart and secure  
Eat the fat of the land that they robbed from the poor  
The butcher is smiling as he brings down the knife  
As he cuts up the meat, he thinks of the wife  
As eminent psychiatrists suffer paranoid fits  
The ones they call mad have to pick up the bits  
The preachers speaks calmly, says it's love that we lack  
While his imaginary dagger is held at our back

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In bed you're the master or mistress, who cares?  
Abusing each other as your work off your fears  
Go climb a mountain, go fuck a scout  
Avoidance of self is what it's about  
Pretence and illusion to avoid who you are  
Don't work on yourself, just polish the car  
Switch on the telly afraid you might find  
That as well as a body you've also a mind  
Cheap glossy surface to cover the lie  
Cheap easy answers to the what, where and why  
Media drivel, yet you still watch the screen  
Life ain't for real, it's a magazine  
Conned from the start but hang onto the lies  
You're a slave to the cathode ray paradise  
You don't want the world, you just want the pics  
Media junkies, you'd die for a fix

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So you say you'll regret it, well that's maybe a start

But it's so fucking easy to act out a part  
Say you'll reject it, but still toe the line  
Conning yourself that you're doing just fine  
Anarchy, freedom, more games to play?  
Fight war, not wars? Well it's something to say  
Slogans and badges worn without thought  
Instant identities so cheaply bought  
Well freedom ain't product, it just isn't fun  
You're looking for peace your work's just begun  
Fighting oppression, aggression and hate  
Fighting warmongers before it's too late  
We've got to fight back to show that we care  
For so many years we've been silenced by fear  
Our lives have been ruined by liars and fools  
The powerful and greedy who bind us with rules  
Politicians and preachers who bind us with laws  
Stolen our peace and given us wars  
They've used us as means to their own violent ends  
Turned us against each other, made foes out of  
friends  
They've distorted, perverted, polluted our lives  
They've brainwashed the world with their sordid beliefs  
They seek to possess, control and corrupt  
If it's freedom we're after, they've got to be stopped.

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