

## Nick Cave

### "Stranger Than Kindness"

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Stranger than kindness

Bottled light from hotels

Spilling everything

Wet hand from the volcano sobers your skin

Stranger than kindness

You caress yourself and grind my soft cold bones  
below

Your map of desire burned in your slavery

Even a fool can come a strange lit stair and find a rope  
hanging there

Stranger than kindness

Keys rain like heaven's hair

There is no home there is no bread, we sit at the gate  
and scratch

The gaunt fruit of passion dies in the light

Stranger than kindness

Your sleeping hands, they journey the loiter

Stranger than kindness

You hold me so carelessly close, tell me I'm dirty

I am a stranger

I am a stranger

I am a stranger to kindness

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