

## Regina Spektor

### "Baby Jesus"

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you know that statue  
that statue of baby jesus  
in the window  
in the window of the 99 cent store  
last night I saw the owner kiss it  
and whisper in its ear  
I was walking home from walgreen's  
and he did not hear me see him  
and on the  
very very next morning  
all the subway cars were hallelu-lelu-ing  
welcome back the baby king, the baby king  
all the believers they were smiling  
and winking at each other  
I could honestly say I was scared for my life

they said, all the non-believers they get to eat dirt  
and the believers get to spit on their graves...

you know that statue  
that statue of baby jesus  
in the window  
in the window of the 99 cent store  
they've been showing it on the news  
it was thirty times its size  
with a megaphone and a heart-shaped bruise  
it was hovering in the skies  
and all the  
subway cars were hallelu-lelu-lelu-ing, hallejuah  
welcome back the baby king, the baby king  
all the believers they were smiling  
and winking at each other  
I could honestly say I was scared for my life

they said, all the non-believers they get to eat dirt  
and the believers get to spit on their graves...  
believe!...

you know that statue  
that statue of baby jesus  
in the window

in the window of the 99 cent store  
when I woke up I ran and bought it  
and locked it in my closet  
with a little bread and water  
and a flashlight and a first aid kit til he grows

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