

Dar Williams

"As Cool as I Am"

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Yeah, there was a time I didn't like the love, I liked the
climbers
I was no sister then, I was running out of time and one
liners
And I was afraid like you are when you're too young to
know the time
And so I watched the way, you take your fear and
hoard the horizon
You point you have a word for every woman you can lay
your eyes on
Like you own them just because you bought the time
And you turn to me, you say you hope I'm not
threatened

Oh, I am not that petty, as cool as I am
I thought you'd know this already
I will not be afraid of women
I will not be afraid of women

So now we're at a club, you watch the woman dancing,
she is drunk
She is smiling and she's falling in a slow descending
funk
And the whole bar is loud and proud and everybody's
trying, yeah
You play the artist, saying, "Is it how she moves or how
she looks?"
I say it's loneliness suspended to our own like
grappling hooks
And as long as she's got noise, she's fine
But I could teach her how I learned to dance when the
music's ended

Oh, and that's not petty, as cool as I am
I thought you'd know this already
I will not be afraid of women
I will not be afraid of women

You tried to make me doubt, to make me guess
Tried to make me feel like a little less
Oh, I liked you when your soul was bared
I thought you knew how to be scared

And now it's amazing what you did to make me stay
But truth is just like time, it catches up and it just keeps
going
And so I'm leaving, you can find out how much better
things can get
And if it helps, I'd say I feel a little worse than I did
when we met

So when you find someone else
You can try again it might work next time
You look out of the kitchen window
And you shake your head and say low
"If I could believe that stuff, I'd say that woman has a
halo"
And I look out and say, "Yeah, she's really blond"
And then I go outside and join to the others, I am the
others

Oh, and that's not easy, I don't know what you saw
I want somebody who sees me
I will not be afraid of women
I will not be afraid of women

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