

## Pre)Thing

### "The Venus Of The Soup Kitchen"

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The venus of the soup kitchen is waiting there for me  
And all us poor cripples who've been in the wars  
And up sleeping on her floor...

Woah !

When you're scared of down and out  
You keep it to yourself and if anyone suspects  
You say : "who me ? hardly !"  
You tell him "thank your stars, this isn't derby day  
'cos it's clear you've got the gift for backing the wrong  
horse, charlie."

Woah !

When you're scared of down and out  
You camouflage your fear with a fakin' d.j. smile  
And maybe some boogie dancin'  
But there's no need to be proud  
Hey if something's hurtin' you  
Could be it hurts your brothers too  
From langley park to memphis

Last night, last night I dreamed I dared to raise my  
head  
The venus of the soup kitchen stood over me  
Singin' : "sometimes the job gets you down  
You're ashamed that the word will get round  
Well all you poor cripples who've been in the wars  
End up sleeping on my floor."

Woah !

Now some will spin you yarns to keep you quiet for a  
while  
But you know that's not my style, who needs fancy  
footwork ?  
'cos none of it adds up, no it doesn't weigh a thing  
And it doesn't buy you beer, from langley park to  
memphis

Last ight, last night I dreamed I dared to raise my head  
The venus of the soup kitchen stood over me  
Singin' : "here you are, and I won't tell you've no one  
else but me

Every night I know you'll be here staring hungrily  
Well here you are, no I won't tell 'cos everyone I know  
Wanders down here every night they've nowhere else  
to go."

The venus of the soup kitchen is standing there over  
me

Every night I'm gonna be here staring hungrily

The venus of the soup kitchen is waiting there for me  
And all us poor cripples who've been in the wars  
End up sleeping on her floor

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