

## Prefab Sprout "Cruel"

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Cruel is the Gospel that sets us all free  
Then takes you away from me  
There is no Chicago urban blues  
More heartfelt than my lament for you  
I'm a liberal guy, too cool for the macho ache  
With a secret tooth for the cherry on the cake  
With a pious smile, a smile that changes what I say  
While I waste my time in regretting  
That the days went from perfect to just okay  
Lordy, what would I do? Don't call me possessive  
But God if he's smoochin' with you  
I's a jealous boy root, the world should be free  
But don't you go following suit, my heart is aligned  
It couldn't be neutral, I couldn't be that way inclined  
It's hard to defend  
Paa paa paa, these feelings might tuppent up friend,  
it's cruel  
Paa paa paa, it's cruel  
Paa paa paa, it's cruel, it's crueller than cruel

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Should a love be tender and bleed out loud  
Or be tougher than tough and prouder than proud?  
If I'm troubled by every folding of your skirt  
Am I guilty of every male inflicted hurt?  
But I don't know how to describe the modern rose  
When I can't refer to her shape against her clothes  
With the fever of purple prose  
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My contribution to urban blues

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