

## Clifford Ward

### "Jackdaw"

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If I was a born again jackdaw

You know I'd help you, yes I would

An' if I was a born again jackdaw

You know I'd be there if I could.

Well those in the know would have you believe

That the jackdaw is bad an' he steals

He's a symbol of darkness, a crow, the devil's own

An' the poet Laureate don't like 'em

An' Alfred Hitchcock didn't like 'em

An' it's a pretty safe bet that you don't like 'em

Well let me tell you something, I love 'em.

An' if I was a born again jackdaw

You know I'd help you, yes I would

An' if I was a born again jackdaw

You know I'd be there if I could.

But those in the know they'll scoff an' they'll say

If you were a sparrow or a robin you'd despise  
jackdaws

They steal your eggs an' eat your babies

Well I've thought about this an' I'll tell you

There might be a few rogue jackdaws

But they get their comeuppance, most care

If one in the flock gets left behind or set upon

Others return to help and secure its safety and well-being

An' I'll tell you something, I love 'em.

An' if I was a born again jackdaw

You know I'd help you, yes I would

An' if I was a born again jackdaw

You know I'd be there if I could.

An' I'll tell you something else what a jackdaw told me

"Your pecking order's all wrong", he said

"You're burning your book and soon you'll be no better

Than the fish in the sea

Listen to me".

An' if I was a born again jackdaw

You know I'd help you, yes I would

An' if I was a born again jackdaw

You know I'd be there and I would.

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