

## Steve Earle "Rake"

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I used to wake and run with the moon  
I lived like a rake and a young man  
I covered my lovers with flowers and wounds  
My laughter, the devil would frighten

The sun, it would come and beat me back down  
But every cruel day had it's nightfall  
I'd welcome the stars with wine and guitars  
Full of fire and forgetful

Well, my body was sharp, the dark air clean  
And outrage my joyful companion  
And whisperin' women, how sweet did they seem  
Kneelin' for me to command them

And time was like water but I was the sea  
And I'd never noticed it passin'  
Except for the turnin' of night into day  
And the turnin' of day into cursin'

You look at me now and don't think I don't know  
What all of your eyes are sayin'  
So he wants us to believe these ravings and lies  
Just tricks that his brains been a playin'?

A lover of women, he can't hardly stand  
He trembles, he's bent and he's broken  
Well, I've fallen, it's true but I say unto you  
Hold your tongues until after I've spoken

I was takin' my pride in the pleasures I'd known  
I laughed and thought I'd be forgiven  
But my laughter turned 'round eyes blazing and said  
My friend we're holdin' a wedding

And I buried my face but it spoke once again  
It's the night to the day that we're a bindin'  
And now the dark air is like fire on my skin  
And even the moonlight is blinding

