

# Sufjan Stevens

## "Vesuvius"

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Vesuvius, I am here  
You are all I have  
Fire of fire, I'm insecure  
For it is all been made to plan

Though I know I will fail  
I cannot be made to laugh  
For in life as in death  
I'd rather be burned than be living in debt

Vesuvius, are you ghost  
Or the symbols of light  
Or a fantasy host?

In your breast I carry the form  
The heart of the Earth  
And the weapons of warmth

Vesuvius, the tragic oath  
For you have destroyed  
What the elegants know

Oracle, I've fallen at last  
But they were the feast  
Of a permanent blast

Vesuvius, oh, be kind  
It hasn't occurred  
No, it hasn't been said

Sufjan, follow the path  
It leads to an article of imminent death  
Sufjan, follow your heart  
Follow the flame or fall on the floor  
Sufjan, the panic inside  
The murdering ghost that you cannot ignore

Vesuvius, fire of fire  
Follow me now  
As I favor the ghost

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Follow me now  
Or follow me down  
Why does it have to be so hard?

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