## Jack Erdie "If I Stood Outside Your Window"

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If I stood outside your window In the middle of the night Would you banish me? I have seen the way you look at me A mix of appetite And curiosity I have longed to feel your skin Though I know the odds are thin On the one side of the tracks You've never been I stand and gauge the distance

All your peacock-feathered friends Will tell you: No one who pretends To high society Would be caught with me And my scalawags in rags Are just as skilled at hangin' tags They'll be callin' me Little Lord Wannabe And it's three times now Your neighbor's poked her face Out between her curtain lace Soon the cops may come And put me in my place But I have no more resistance

I've debated dusk to dawn If you meant to lead me on Some cheap and childish joke If that's what you had in mind Your heart has left your mind behind 'Cause you couldn't cloak What your eyes have spoken Please don't tarry in your tower And deny the sparks that shower When we're near. I've come through fear This is the hour To heed the sweet insistence If I stood outside your window In the moon's bewitching light Would you usher me inside? Can't you just about imagine All the pettiness our passion Would blow open wide Like a rushing tide? You must choose, on your own, Between me and your throne Like I've chosen to leave All I've ever known To gamble my existence.

It's a long walk back to Loserville It's so far away from gladness It's forever to be wonderin' Was it destiny or madness?

Here I stand Look out your window Here I stand Look out your window Here I stand It's now or never Here I stand.

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