

# Mean Flower

[Joe Henry](#)

How beautiful you've made yourself  
How cruel you've become  
How so much like another  
That it's no surprise  
That I don't recognize you now so  
Beautiful and cruel You're the meanest flower You raise me off the ground  
To see how far there is to fall  
As if I don't remember  
How we passed the time  
As if I don't remember how  
Your face fell into mine Oh, you're the meanest flower Notice how I vanish  
And your world remains  
You show your head above it  
For spite, nothing more  
Like you thought just living  
Was somehow its own reward You're the meanest flower

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