So Beautiful Or So What

Paul Simon

I'm gonna make a chicken gumbo Toss some sausage in the pot I'm gonna flavor it with okra Cheyenne pepper to make it hot You know life is what we make of it So beautiful or so what I'm gonna tell my kids a bedtime story A play without a plot Will it have a happy ending? Maybe yeah, maybe not I tell them life is what you make of it So beautiful or so what So beautiful, so beautiful, so what I'm just a raindrop in a bucket, a coin in a slot I am an empty house on Weed Street Across the road from a vacant lot You know life is what you make of it So beautiful or so what Ain't it strange the way we're ignorant How we seek out bad advice

How we jigger it and figure it Mistaking value for the price And play a game with time and Love Like a pair of rolling dice So beautiful, so beautiful, so what Four men on the balcony Overlooking the parking lot Pointing at a figure in the distance Dr. King has just been shot And the sirens long melody Singing savior pass me not Ain't it strange the way we're ignorant How we seek out bad advice How we jigger it and figure it Mistaking value for the price And play a game with time and love Like a pair of rolling dice So beautiful, so beautiful, so what

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