The Monkey

Elvis Costello

Yeah, the monkey speaks his mindNow, three monkey sittin' in a coconut tree
Discussin' things as they all say it to be
Said one to the other, now, listen you two
There's a certain rumor that can't be trueThat man descended from our noble race
The very idea is a big disgrace
No monkey ever deserted his wife
Starve a baby [Incomprehensible]Yeah, the monkey speaks his mindAin't you never know a mother monk
To leave her babes with others to bonk
Pass 'em on from one to another
'Til they scarcely knew who was their motherYeah, the monkey speaks his mindAnd another thing you never see
I monkey build a fence around the coconut tree
And let another coconuts go to waste
Forbidden all the other monkeys to come and tasteWhat if I put up fence around this tree
Starvation would force you to steal from meYeah, the monkey speaks his mindHere's another thing a monkey won't do
Go out at night and get on a [Incomprehensible]
Use a gun, a club or knife
To take another monkey's lifeYeah, man descended [Incomprehensible]
But brothers from us, he did not comeYeah, the monkey speaks his mind

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