

# In the Company of the Damned

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And you thought you were invited  
That you could ring the Bell  
That you had been accepted  
By the leader of the ring whose influence was sure to bring Liars and cheats  
To your feet Bestowed upon your being  
The very smile that made you real  
The very reason to stand upright  
A commendation that took years of petty fights and stinging tears Space trash satellites  
Trying to catch the sun tonight  
But on arrival you are slighted  
With the subtlest of grins  
Cause the cousin & the confidante  
Will never let you win  
It's just too thin this skin you're in Well come out of your hiding spot  
We all know that you're there  
And we're wondering is this really all you've got?  
As you barter with your fists and leave us taking all the risks Sycophants & Sidekicks  
Taking out the new tricks And when you finally are granted  
This position of command  
Do you really want to stay here?  
In the company of the damned as they prepare to take your hand Torment with true ambition  
Even eating is a competition  
Maybe I would understand more  
If I was underhand  
And waited by the side-lines  
To trip her up and watch her land  
But I do not crave calamity - no  
I can only stand and stare  
And wonder what she'll do when  
There's no one left to spare  
So lonely in her lair  
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