The Windfall

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Because Elvis gave 'em cars

You think I'm cheap

And you're hard done by

Look-you live here like a star

Rent free suite

Big blue pool that you sun by

Trips to tropic shores

Clothes from fancy stores

You want too much

You want too badly

You want everything for nothingGoing to the church

You chant

For my downfall

Chanting for my house

My friends

You want it all

The pillows on my bed

The visions in my head

You want too much

You want too badly

You want everything for nothingIn the land of litigation

The courts are like game shows

Take what's behind the curtain

The jury cries

I'm not going to be the jackpot

At the end of your perjured rainbow

Not if local justice has even one good eyeOh it's not like I was blind

I saw

But I took no action

As you began to climb

Green clawed

Dissatisfaction

It wasn't hard to guess

That the end would be a mess

You want too much

You want too badly

You want everything for nothingIn the land of mass frustration

The judges are sleeping

Counting wooly little lawyers

And grinding their teeth
Outside my sleepless window
The Hollywood sirens are shrieking
While down some search lit alley runs
Some lost beliefOh I'm tangled in your lies

Your scam
Your spider web
Spit spun between the trees

Doors slam
You want my head
You'd eat your young alive
For a jaguar in the drive
You lie too much
You lie too badly

You want everything for nothing

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