

# Eugene

## Sufjan Stevens

Light struck from the lemon tree  
What if I'd never seen hysterical light from Eugene?  
Lemon yogurt, remember I pulled at your shirt  
I dropped the ashtray on the floor  
I just wanted to be near you  
Emerald Park, wonders never cease  
The man who taught me to swim, he couldn't quite say my first name  
Like a Father he led community water on my head  
And he called me "Subaru"  
And now I want to be near you  
Since I was old enough to speak I've said it with alarm  
Some part of me was lost in your sleeve  
Where you hid your cigarettes  
No I'll never forget  
I just want to be near you  
Still I pray to what I cannot see  
In the sprinkler I mark the evidence known from the start  
From the bed near your death, and all the machines that made a mess  
Far away the falcon flew  
Now I want to be near you  
What's left is only bittersweet  
For the rest of my life, admitting the best is behind me  
Now I'm drunk and afraid, wishing the world would go away  
What's the point of singing songs  
If they'll never even hear you?

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