## **Lenders In The Temple**

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A short delay,
The parrot blues

Little voices mimic you

It's not so hard to make that soundSo watch your back,

The Ides of March

Cut your hair like Joan of Arc

Disguise your will

They'll find you outAnd when they do,

Look outThere's money lenders inside the temple

That circus tiger's gonna break your heart

Something so wild turned into paper

If I loved you, well that's my faultA bitch in heat,

The alpha male

Not something she'd ever tell

Except when she got deathly highAnd out it came,

Like summer rain

Washed the cars and everything

Felt clean for just a little whileA telethon,

We drove downThe starving children they ain't got no mother

There's pink flamingos living in the mall

I'd give a fortune to your infomercial

If somebody would just take my call

Take my call

Take my callHello,

Patterns in my mind now moving slow

Sorrow all across the surface roads

Smoothing out the edges of the stone

The lights are out, where'd everybody go?

AloneErase yourself and you'll be free

Mendula destroyed by the sea

All we are is colored sandSo pay to ride the ferris wheel

Smile, all that you can feel

Is gratitude for what has beenCause it did not,

HappenThere's money lenders inside the temple

That circus tiger's gonna break my heart

Something so wild turned into paper

If you loved me, then that's your faultThere's money lenders inside the temple

This crystal city's gonna fall apart

When all their power turns into vapor

If I miss you well that's my fault
That's my fault
That's my fault

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