## **Bad To Be Good**

## **Poison**

There's an alley cat slowly walkin' down a dirty street
Watching a cop on the take marching to his city beat
You got Five-fingers Johnny stealing everything in sight
You gotta be bad to be good in the dead of the night
Kick itYou're dancing in fire, baby
When you're takin' it to the streets

Yeah, to the streets

Baby, better watch your back

Fast on your feet'Cause they're wheelin', dealin'

Cheatin', stealin'

Child, you're gonna learnYou gotta be bad to be good
If you know what I'm talkin' about

What's that?

So I say it again

You gotta be bad to be good

In the dead of the nightWhen you got nothin', baby

You got nothin' to lose, nothin' to lose

It's an eye for an eye, baby

And a tooth for a tooth

Ain't it the truth? If you got nine lives, you might survive 'Cause nothing's free on the other sideYou gotta be bad to be good If you know what I'm talkin' about

What's that?

So I say it again

You gotta be bad to be good

In the dead of the nightWheelin', dealin', cheatin', stealin'

Just to stay alive

They got love for sale, yes, for sale

On the New York subway line

Watch the working girls hanging out

Turning tricks underneath the lights

The lightsOne step from Hell

The poor men sell their soul

For a taste of wineYou gotta be bad to be good

If you know what I'm talkin' about

What's that?

So I say it again

You gotta be bad to be good

In the dead of the nightWhen it's said and done

## And you're on the run And the only law comes under the gun

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