

Song With Rose

Elvis Costello

Between last breaths and first regrets
The days dragged on like cigarettes
In the distance martyrs and martinets
Dally, dancing with the empty silhouettes of threats
So, where but heaven does love end
And where on earth does it begin
It's not the kind of love that is pinned
Like a medal or pressed as pennies in a tin
There is hope and after that, there is only faith
Love like a wraith
Never made me afraid
Consoled as I was by that shade
Here lie the roses in the ashes
Deep as the barnacles that cling
Just like a lace that runs
Through everyone and everything
In that other still forever
In that time before the past
I told myself we'd be together
Can you promise me that it will be eternally?
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