

# El Greco

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I'm black on blacker velvet, milk skin and veins  
Like some El Greco painting, so full of pain  
So full of longing for light of day  
I thought I knew who I was in the world  
But here I am twice blind at being born  
Crawling to my buried voice within  
And I've forgotten who I used to be  
And I've forgotten the woman in red, living her dream  
And I've forgotten the courage I used to be  
Happiness is overrated, it never lasts  
Skating the surface of oceanic depths  
Oh, may the fruit of my life be meaning  
So please forgive me all my seriousness  
My so-called spirituality, I'm just a mess  
I'm tears and anxiety but I'm unafraid to see  
And I've forgotten who I used to be  
The leader in her glory shining, divining  
And I've forgotten the courage I used to be  
The middle passage is so damn tumbling, persona crumbling  
Don't know, I don't know, I don't know, I don't know  
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know, I don't know  
And I try, and I try, and I try, and I try  
And I try, and I try, and I try  
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know, I don't know  
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know, I don't know  
And I try, and I try, and I try, and I try  
And I try  
Like some El Greco painting, no sun or sky  
No lantern, no candle needed to light  
The holy radiance behind the eyes  
And I've forgotten who I used to be  
And I've forgotten that woman in red, living her dream  
And I've forgotten the courage I used to be  
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know, I don't know  
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know  
And I try, and I try, and I try, and I try  
And I try, and I try, and I try  
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know, I don't know  
I don't know, I don't know, I don't know

And I try, and I try, and I try

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