

# In the Dark

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What is that on the floor?  
Is it a woman? it is a woman  
Is it real?  
Is it a human? it is a human  
Is it real?

What is that in the dark?  
Is it a monster? it is a monster  
Is it me?  
Is it a mirror? it is a mirror  
Is it me?

I never knew I could fly  
These pliant laws defy  
This dream I lived with you  
Turn the page now and let's review  
Between the ground and sky

Forgot my clothes today  
I start, but none look my way  
Naked and unashamed  
Always how the question is framed  
I'm shriveled, old and gray  
And all say

It's over now, this film this fairy tale  
When all the dead are dead and gone

Tonight I lost control  
Although the car seemed whole  
To lose a faith in man  
Is this how the story began?  
The car careens, I roll  
Bless my soul

It's over now, this fraud this fantasy  
When all the dead are dead and gone

Night night  
In the dark dark

Through the still still  
Past the lost lost  
From the sleep sleep  
To the late late  
For the wake wake

And I thought you would stay  
But you're gone and I can't find my way in the  
dark  
And there's no one to laugh with or cry with or be  
with and fight with  
And I'm left holding on  
Just the kid with the kite string in his hand  
And I don't want to fight anymore  
With myself  
And the wind  
And the time

Still bracing for the fall  
From where I can't recall  
Awake or hit the ground  
The panic swells, I sprawl  
Now bounce ball

It's over now, this flight this fakery  
When all the dead are dead and gone

And so it's over now, this fear this folderol  
When all the dead are dead and gone

Night night  
In the dark dark...

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