

Scared to Be Alone

Houston Person

We never stop to wonder
Till a person's gone
We never yearn
To know him
Till he's traveled on
When someone is around us
We never stop to ask
Hey, what's behind your mirror
Hey, who's beneath your mask
We never stop to wonder
Till a person's gone
We never yearn
To know him
Till he's packed
And traveled on

Sweet Marilyn Monroe
On the silver screen
Platinum reflection
In a movie magazine
Well, did you ever
Have a headache
Did your mama own a gramophone
Did you like to be an actress
Were you scared
To be alone

We never stop to wonder
Till a person's gone
We never yearn
To know him
Till he's traveled on
When someone is around us
We don't know what we're seeing
We take a Polaroid picture
To find the human being
We never stop to wonder
Till a person's gone
We never yearn

To know him
Till he's packed
And traveled on

Sweet beautiful Jesus
On a painted cross
Polystyrene body
With a superficial gloss
Hey, were you
Jealous of your father
Were you short
When you were fully grown
Did you like to walk on water
Were you scared
To be alone

I think perhaps tomorrow
I'll try to make a friend
To really get
To know him
Instead of pretend
I'll ask him if his feet hurt
Has he burdens to be shared
And if he doesn't walk away
I'll ask him
If he's scared
And if he doesn't walk away
If his eyes don't
Turn to stone
I'll ask him
If he's scared
To be alone

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