

Not A Pretty Girl

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I am not a pretty girl,
That is not what I do.
I ain't no damsel in distress,
And I don't need to be rescued.

So, so put me down punk.
Wouldn't you prefer a maiden fair?
Isn't there a kitten stuck up a tree somewhere?
I am not an angry girl,

But it seems like I've got everyone fooled.
Every time I say something they find hard to hear,
They chalk it up to my anger,
And never to their own fear.

Imagine you're a girl,
Just trying to finally come clean,
Knowing full well they'd prefer you were dirty...
And smiling.

And I am sorry,
But I am not a maiden fair,
And I am not a kitten, stuck up a tree somewhere.
Generally my generation

Would never be caught dead working for the man.
And generally I agree with them,
Trouble is you got to find yourself an alternate plan.
And I have earned my disillusionment,

I have been working
All of my life.
And I am a patriot.
I have been fighting the good fight.

And what if there are no damsels in distress?
What if I knew that, and I called your bluff?
Don't you think every kitten
Figures out how to get down,

Whether or not you ever show up?

I am not a pretty girl.

Don't really want to be a pretty girl.

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