Jesus Envy

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Snow is falling in the city
Past the windows which cast a glow
Through the curtains, friends and flirtin
Christmas trees and mistletoe
Snow keeps fallin in the city
Powdered sugar on the hats of passersby
And all I can do is eat Moo Shu
And cry, cry, cry
'cause Ive got Jesus Envy
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I remember each December
As the preparations reached a fevered peak
And the Tabors, my next-door neighbors
Would jump into high gear each Christmas week
And all their tree lights and other delights
Made my menorah look like someones cruel hoax
Til my shrink, Dr. Charoses made the diagnosis
And named the feeling that each Christmastime evokes
He called it Jesus Envy

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Dont get me wrong. Im proud to be a member of the tribe But I abhor Manischewitz all the more With every glass of eggnog I imbibe And I always give a dollar to the sidewalk Santas As they ring their little bells outside the stores 'cause they say that Christmas isnt Christmas without the Salvation Army And herpes isnt herpes without the sores Old Ebenezer was a grumpy grouchy geezer Who would rather lose a leg than spend a pound One day I asked him why, and his answer was surprising He said he couldnt find a tzedakah box around You see, old Ebenezer was really Eleazer And he didnt say Bah Humbug Just the baruch-hu Maybe Ebenezer just had Jesus envy too He had Jesus Envy

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