## **Evensong**

## **The Innocence Mission**

The day is over and still so heavy on the mind In flew glowing, smiling mother, butterfly in yellow To join the frowning cactus crowd Finding flowers even there to flutter roundI thought, isn't mother grand? The way she flies and flies Into the sting of the cold and the prick of the barbed wire Isn't mother grand to gladly fly and swiftly fly Into the sting of the cold and the prick of the barbed wireThe day is over and still goes passing through the mind: In came glowing, smiling mother, sure and kind To rouse us, to give ourselves out and to cry Birth to warm intentions, worthless otherwiseOh, the lives that brush against us, pass us by and by The friends who may or may not come if we would first invite Oh, to open doors, to always gladly fly and fly Into the sting of the cold and the prick of the barded wire

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