## **The Crawling**

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Something is crawling, yes, it's crawling Out of a dark place into a light place Something is spawning, yes, it's spawning Out of a damp place into a dry place Something is swarming, yes, it's swarming Out of a flaky place into a scented place Ummm

I see the trail, the broken stems of corn I see the shadow, but not the thing itself I see the plume of smoke on the horizon I hear the shouts and screams, but I don't know much Something is crawling

Why do you ask me? Why do you touch me?(Why touch me?) Why do you ask me? Why do you touch me?(Why touch me?) Because there's nothing left It's only flesh and blood (Nothing left) Because there's nothing there It's only flesh and blood (Nothing left)

You think you've got her and you're a lucky guy But can you hold a fish? You think you know her, you're so intuitive But can you know a mist?

Yeah, how long do you want it? How long have you got it, baby, flesh and blood? Have you got it, baby? Have you got it, baby?