Paper Thin

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He was a self made man Made a killing on copper mines He loved beautiful girls Got a taste for fancy wines And the suits he wore were paper thin

He built a big white house In the valley of the kings Took a beautiful wife Bought her every possible thing And the silk she wore was paper thin

Well, they travelled in style Paid cash for everything Had a beautiful child Had a champagne christening But as they raised their glasses in toast to him He saw the crystal was paper thin

So the shadows came Whispering words to him He sold the company out And cashed all those futures in But it all still looked so paper thin

Well, it was late one night And the rain was streaming down He called his wife's name out Said honey, it's over now I'm gonna burn it all I can't take this any more But as he struck the match She took a pistol from the drawer She said I ain't going down with you Pulled the trigger in And the bullet it passed right through Like he was paper thin