

# Pouring Water on a Drowning Man

Elvis Costello

You push me when I'm falling  
And then you put me down  
I guess I missed my calling  
I should have been a clown  
How much more  
How much more can I stand  
You're pouring water  
On a drowning man

You put me on the right track  
And then you put me down  
You stab me in the back  
Everytime I turn around

Criticize my lovin'  
When I'm doing the very best I can  
You're pouring water  
On a drowning man  
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You treat me like  
The fool that I am  
You bet that I like everything you do  
Put salt in my wounds  
It's sad but it's true

You warm me with your kisses  
Then you leave me in the cold  
How can I know your wishes  
When I've never been told  
Won't you please forgive me  
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I got tears in my eyes  
Oh, I'm a drowning man  
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