Bird on a Wire

Fairport Convention

Like a bird on a wire Like a drunk in a midnight choir I have tried in my way to be free

Like a fish on a hook Like a knight in some old fashioned book I have saved all my ribbons for thee

And if I, if I have been unkind I just hope you will let it go by And if I, if I have been untrue I just hope you know it was never to you

Like a baby still born Like a beast with his horn I have torn everyone Who reached out to me

But I swear by this song And by all that I have done wrong I'll make it all up to thee

I saw a young man leaning on his wooden crutch And he called out to me, "Don't ask for so much" And a young woman leaning in her darkened door And she called out to me, "Hey, why not ask for more"

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