She Wants So Many Things

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She wants so many things you can't give to her She wants so many things you don't have much She wants so many things you can't deliver to her She wants so many things all at once

Like a brick wall that'll keep her from crumbling
And a camouflage jacket to hide from herself in
And a system of worship like a powerful magnet
That'll draw in the heathens pick them up in a dragnet
And pull them underwater till they all go stagnant

She wants so many things beamed in on a satellite Served up on a silver tray a wasp and parasite

She wants so many things where you gonna find them all She wants so many things get up and run She wants so many things you're at her beck and call You're the puppet she pulls the strings just for fun

Like a blue ocean that's devoid of fishes
Cause they're all on her table prepared into dishes
Like an army of lieutenants all standing to attention
And a book about you where YOU don't get a mention
With her hand on a Bible she's right in your face
She's a living example of God's bad taste
And with him for an ally she can't be a heretic
But her heart's from a laboratory spun from a synthetic

She wants so many things brought without question The Gardens of Babylon hanging and festooned A ship In the desert your soul on a plate She can't wait any longer don't make her wait

She wants so many things you can't negotiate She wants so many things you feel the crunch She wants so many things don't make her reiterate She wants so many things all at once

A collection of clowns who were dragged up in public school Who dream up the rhythms that she dances in the disco to They all surround her and yes her to death With their hands on their mouths to hide their bad breath And she lives in a fortress at the back of a project And she'll let you in soon but not now and not yet And she likes to see you immersed in greed Confusing what you want with what you need

She wants so many things split up into atoms
She owns the crown jewels but you can't get at 'em doo dooo doos

She wants so many things you can't keep up with her She wants so many things at the same time She wants so many things you can't keep it up her She wants so many things you'll never find

Like three million shoes and a closet full of whips

And two dozen hats and then everyone fits
And the kind of acceptance that needs a lobotomy
That'll help you accept every single contradictory
Statement that hits you like a force nine gale
And makes you go pale every time that you fail
To bring home the bacon and bring in the goods
Get the musk from the deer and the shell from the turtle
And the gold from the fools and the shells from the sea
She says load them in a caravan bring them to me

She wants so many things brought to her feet Cover every inch of the world in concrete You better do it it's only your fate She can't wait any longer don't make her wait

She wants so many things you can't give to her She wants so many things you don't have much She wants so many things you can't deliver to her Everything's attached to strings you can't touch She wants so many things