

People Are So Fickle

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Oh baby baby please
I feel an urgent need to apologize
I did a terrible thing in a terrible dream
And now I can't look you in the eye

It started when we were out on the date
When we turned to say
"I gotta tell you something odd
I know I said we'd get married
But I'm already married"
And that's when you laughed so hard
So I turned and swung
I woke in a shock
My nails digging blood from the base of my palms

It's just that people are so fickle
They fall in love at different angles
And really I could lose you
Just as quickly as I've gotten you
And that's the kinda thought
That makes me nervous
I'm worried if you'll really think I'm worth it
When the rush wears off
And you're left with this busted person
But if you tell me you will
I will do what I can to believe it

So baby all these things that I've seen
Last night while asleep
This morning they're messing with me
And now I'm anxious as hell
And looking for help
To the pleasant and painless
Some story to tell
With a through line of calm
That could stop me from being myself

Cause all I think is how I want to be your fever
Just to know I make you heated
Cause I'm worried you might see me more like a blanket
Who's there for comfort and for cover
From the glare of former lovers
All the passion that kissed you and bit you
Til you were devoured
And I'd like to get better
Cause thinking like this is torture

And if I can't stop it
You'll be sick of bearing crosses
And you'll jump to cut your losses
You'll go get quarantined somewhere far from me
Where it's much less dangerous
Maybe if I wake up and quit dreaming
I could shake the shit I'm fearing
And I could feel like I'm just freaking out
For no good reason
I'll tell you what

It's a line I can cross once I get there
I'm not ever leaving