Darwin Jailhouse Window

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With another fool like me I'm barred from the bar by the bars on my window And you're with a fool like me