## **The Things I Should Have Said**

## Lindisfarne

Two by two the lovers wandered off into the night Leaving me alone with someone who I only knew by sight So we sat and watched each other through the fading firelight Each one waiting for the silence to be broken And the things I should have said That were whispering in my head Would not be spoken

The black-eyed master glared at me with malice in his eye The spittle from his twisted lips ran down to his bow-tie I was dumb before his accusations I dared not deny When he done with me I stood outside there shattered And the things I should have said That came rushing to my head No longer mattered

Teachers from whose mellowed mouths great pearls of wisdom craw l To those who scrawl obscenities upon the alley walls The joke is on the bloke who never spoke a word at all But whose dreams lay unrevealed 'til they were rotten And the things I should have said That I was keeping in my head Have been forgotten

The things I should have said (repeat to fade)