

## Jesus of Rio

## Violent Femmes

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Where they held a summit to save the world  
And to mark the time when development as traditionally understood  
Had failed  
And the affluent North raping the South  
Investment from the North means  
Economic bondage for the South  
Under the burden  
Of debt payments

I was with a whore in Copenhagen  
Drinking eight hundred dollars worth of Champagne  
In kroner  
She came from Rio  
We were trying to save the world  
We did not get what we wanted  
She wanted money  
She did not get what she wanted  
I missed my wife  
I did not get what I wanted

Death sat on my lap  
Death sits on all our laps  
While Christ the redeemer towers high over Rio  
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