

The Devil You Know

Actor | Observer

Another strained commitment
And still I'm asking why
We tighten our grip
Instead of cutting ties
We threaten our departure
Like kids run away from home
But stop when we remember
We don't know how to be alone

Begging relief from ourselves
We know there's an out but continue to dwell
Safe in the nest when you're trapped in the shell
What would happen if ever you fell?

We live with what we hate
But yearn for something more
We get in our own way
Holding out for just one more day
But what is it worth?
Will you still remain convinced
That the alternative is worse?
So much stubborn pride in holding on
Over taking stock in hope
You'd rather hang on a sure thing
At least you know you're gonna choke

Just tell yourself
Whatever you need
To learn to love what hurts you
Like "patience is a virtue"
Tolerance without common sense
A voice in Stockholm says
"It's not that bad"

The truth is that you're too afraid
To start again, and so you stay
But if the devil's already got his grip on you
What have you got to lose?

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