

# The Stranger

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Well we all have a face  
That we hide away forever  
And we take them out and show ourselves  
When everyone has gone  
Some are satin some are steel  
Some are silk and some are leather  
They're the faces of the stranger

But we love to try them on  
Well, we all fall in love  
But we disregard the danger  
Though we share so many secrets  
There are some we never tell  
Why were you so surprised  
That you never saw the stranger

Did you ever let your lover see  
The stranger in yourself?  
Don't be afraid to try again  
Everone goes south  
Every now and then  
You've done it, why can't someone else?  
You should know by now  
You've been there yourself

Once I used to believe  
I was such a great romancer  
Then I came home to a woman  
That I could not recognize  
When I pressed her for a reason  
She refused to even answer  
It was then I felt the stranger  
Kick me right between the eyes

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You may never understand  
How the stranger is inspired  
But he isn't always evil  
And he isn't always wrong  
Though you drown in good intentions  
You will never quench the fire  
You'll give in to your desire

When the stranger comes along.