

Do You Know Me Now?

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And if you think you knew me then
You don't know me now
As the ground rose up to meet me
I kissed your mouth
You wore your boredom like an armour
But I turned you out
And if that brought us to our knees
We laughed all the way down

I prized my daddy's ring from my hand
And I made a bride
We grew a flower in the desert
We grew terrified
We were one, not one and the same
Something was lost somehow
And if you think you knew me then
You don't know me now

The planets high above you
Spun in houses of their own
You were dropped and hit the ground running
But they failed to lead you home

And if you think you knew me then
Do you know me now?
I drew a child inside a womb
Justified myself
I stole the face of joy, the perfume of wealth
I atomised the boy within before he cut himself
You found the blood upon my clothes
And you washed it out
And if you think you knew me then
You don't know me now

There were children in the classroom
Erected without a nail
There were hornets in the heads of cattle
That vibrated to the sound

You cried wolf
I tracked one down and let it in
There were lambs, sure there was blood
There were psalms to sing
You could just see the bone jut out
Penetrate the skin
Did it dispel beyond all doubt the mess we're in?

You raised your head
I stared you down
You still don't know how
And if you think you knew me then
You don't know me now

I was happy, satiated
I was satisfied