

# The Silver Tongued Devil and I

Kris Kristofferson

I took myself down, to the Tally Ho Tavern  
To buy me a bottle of beer  
And I sat me down by a tender young maiden  
Whose eyes were as dark as her hair

And as I was searching from bottle to bottle  
For somethin' unfoolish to say  
That silver tongued devil just slipped from the shadows  
And smilingly stole her away

I said hey, little girl, don't you know, he's the devil  
He's ev'rything that I ain't  
Hidin' intentions of evil  
Under the smile of a saint

All he's good for is gettin' in trouble  
And shiftin' his share of the blame  
And some people swear he's my double  
And some even say we're the same

But the silver-tongued devil's got nothin' to lose  
And I'll only live till I die  
We take our own chances, and pay our own dues  
The silver tongued devil and I

Like all the fair maidens who've laid down beside him  
She knew in her heart that he'd lied  
Nothin' that I could have said could have saved her  
No matter, how hard that she tried

'Cause she'll offer her charms, to the darkness and danger  
Of something that she's never known  
And open her arms at the smile of a stranger  
Who'll love her and leave her alone

And you know he's the devil  
He's everything that I ain't  
Hidin' intentions of evil  
Under the smile of a saint

All he's good for is gettin' in trouble  
And shiftin' his share of the blame  
And some people swear he's my double  
And some even say we're the same

But the silver-tongued devil's got nothin' to lose  
I'll only live till I die  
We take our own chances, and pay our own dues  
The silver tongued devil and I