Pigeons

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You were in a black dress
Bowie in the kitchen
Pigeons on your balcony
Beautiful and barefoot
Said you never show your bruises
I was hoping that you might show me

I'd been living in a lifeboat
Dizzy on the ocean
I couldn't tell you when I last saw land
I washed up on your doorstep
A servant at the temple
A Hail Mary from a drowning man

And it felt romantic to learn a new language Desperate and damaged and aching to be Yeah you came on like the queen of chaos Like some unsolvable mystery

Your daddy made a living
Selling Jesus and the manger
Salvation in the land of sin
And every time that you got me
In a vulnerable position
Well you told me that I looked like him

And it felt electric to have your attention Full surrender to your gravity Yeah, you came on like the queen of chaos A child who only could ever play make-believe

And you're never gonna let anybody stand beside you You just sell 'em what they wanna hear Cause you're good at telling stories and talking revolution And using people 'til they disappear

A goddess when you get what you wanted When you don't my love, you're mean You came on like the queen of chaos But I never met anybody less free

Anybody less free