Once upon a time you dressed so fine
You threw the bums a dime in your prime, didn't you?
People's call, say: 'Beware doll, you're bound to fall'
You thought they were all kiddin' you

You used to laugh about
Everybody that was hangin' out
Now you don't talk so loud
Now you don't seem so proud
About having to be scrounging for your next meal

How does it feel? How does it feel? To be without a home? Like a complete unknown? Like a rolling stone?

Ah, you've gone to the finest school, all right, little Miss Lonely But you know you only used to get juiced in it Nobody has ever taught you how to live out on the street And now you are gonna have to get used to it

You said you'd never compromise
With the mystery tramp but know you realize
He's not selling any alibis
As you stare into the vacuum of his eyes
And say: 'Do you want to make a deal?'

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Ah, you never turned around to see the frowns
On the jugglers and the clowns when they all did tricks for you
You never understood that it ain't no good
You shouldn't let other people get your kicks for you

You used to ride on the chrome horse with your diplomat Who carried on his shoulder a Siamese cat Ain't it hard when you discover that? He really wasn't where it's at After he took from you everything he could steal

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Ah, princess on the steeple and all the pretty people
They are drinkin', thinkin' that they got it made
Exchanging all precious gifts
But you'd better take your diamond ring, you'd better pawn it, babe

You used to be so amused
At Napoleon in rags and the language that he used
Go to him now, he calls you, you can't refuse
When you got nothing, you got nothing to lose
You're invisible now, you got no secrets to conceal

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