Eugene

Sufjan Stevens

Light struck from the lemon tree What if I'd never seen hysterical light from Eugene? Lemon yoghurt, remember I pulled at your shirt I dropped the ashtray on the floor I just wanted to be near you Emerald Park, wonders never cease The man who taught me to swim, he couldn't quite say my first name Like a father he led community water on my head And he called me "Subaru" And now I want to be near you Since I was old enough to speak I've said it with alarm Some part of me was lost in your sleeve where you hid your cigarettes No I'll never forget I just want to be near you Still I pray to what I cannot see In the sprinkler I mark the evidence known from the start From the bed near your death, and all the machines that made a mess Far away the falcon flew Now I want to be near you What's left is only bittersweet For the rest of my life, admitting the best is behind me Now I'm drunk and afraid, vwishing the world would go away What's the point of singing songs If they'll never even hear you?

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