What a Good Boy

Barenaked Ladies

When I was born, they looked at me and said,
"What a good boy, what a smart boy, what a strong boy."

And when you were born, they looked at you and said,
"What a good girl, what a smart girl, what a pretty girl."We've got these chains hanging around our necks

People wanna strangle us with them before we take our first breath
Afraid of change, afraid of staying the same
When temptation calls, we just look awayThis name is the hairshirt I wear
And this hairshirt is woven from your brown hair
This song is the cross that I bear

Bear with me, bear with me Be with me tonight

I know that it isn't right... But be with me tonight

I go to school, I write exams

If I pass, if I fail, if I drop out does anyone give a damn?

And if they do, they'll soon forget

'Cause it won't take much from me to show my life ain't over yetI wake up scared, I wake up strange

I wake up wondering if anything in my life is ever gonna change I wake up scared, I wake up strange

And everything around me stays the sameIt's the hairshirt I wear And this hairshirt is woven from, it's woven from, your brown hair

This song is the cross that I bear

Bear with me, bear with me, bear with me

Be with me tonight

I know that it isn't right...

But be with me tonight

I couldn't tell you that I was wrong

Chickened out, grabbed a pen and a paper, sat down and I wrote this song
I couldn't tell you that you were right

So instead I looked in the mirror, I watched TV, laid awake all nightWe've got these chains hanging around our necks

People wanna strangle us with them before we take our first breath

Afraid of change, afraid of staying the same

When temptation calls...This name is the hairshirt I wear

And this hairshirt is woven from, it's woven from, it's woven from hair

This song is the cross that I bear

Bear with me, bear with me, bear with me

Be with me tonightAnd when I was born, they looked at me and said, "What a good boy, what a smart boy, what a strong boy."

When you were born, they looked at you and said,

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