

Porcelain Monkey

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Intro: **Em Em Am Em / Em D** (x2)

**Em** **Am** **Em**  
He was an accident waiting to happen  
**Em** **D**  
Most accidents happen at home  
**Em** **Am** **Em**  
Maybe he should ve gone out more often  
**Em** **D**  
Maybe he should ve answered the phone  
**C** **D**  
Hip-shakin shoutin in gold lame  
**C** **D**  
That s how he earned his regal sobriquet  
**C** **D**  
Then he threw it all away  
**Em** **Am Em**  
For a porcelain monkey

**C** **D**  
He threw it away for a porcelain monkey  
**C** **D**  
Gave it all up for a figurine  
**C** **D**  
He traded it in for a night in Las Vegas  
**C** **D**  
And his face on velveteen

From a shotgun shack singing Pentecostal hymns  
Through the wrought iron gates to the TV room  
He had a little world, it was smaller than your hand  
It s a rockabilly ride from the glitter to the gloom  
Left behind by the latest trends  
Eating fried chicken with his regicidal friends  
That s how the story ends  
With a porcelain monkey

(Repeat Chorus)

(Repeat Intro)

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