

Nasty Habit

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Slow Blues

Piano

The piano introduction consists of three measures. The right hand plays a series of chords and arpeggios, while the left hand plays a steady eighth-note bass line. The key signature has one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 12/8.

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I've giv - en up smok - ing, to - bac - co of ev - ery kind.

Measures 4-6 of the song. The vocal line begins at measure 4 with the lyrics 'I've giv - en up smok - ing, to - bac - co of ev - ery kind.' The piano accompaniment continues with the same harmonic structure as the introduction.

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I re - frain from drink - ing hard liq - uor, and beer and wine. I've tamed all my vi - ces with

Measures 7-9 of the song. The vocal line continues with the lyrics 'I re - frain from drink - ing hard liq - uor, and beer and wine. I've tamed all my vi - ces with'. The piano accompaniment remains consistent.

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great suc - cess. My will - pow - er's strong, but I must con - fess one

Measures 10-12 of the song. The vocal line concludes with the lyrics 'great suc - cess. My will - pow - er's strong, but I must con - fess one'. The piano accompaniment continues through measure 12.

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weak-ness re-mains. I will have to ad-mit, you're the one nas-ty hab-it

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that I can't seem to quit.

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You're too o-ver-bear-ing. - You're un-couth and un-re-fined. So fre-quent-ly swear-ing

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and so rare-ly are you kind. You'd think I would tire of the same a-buse.

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I'm drawn by your power, to re - sist is no use. With my crimes in the past, the last

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one I com - mit. You're the one nas - ty hab - it that I can't seem to

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quit. All your talk is cheap, but I

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like it that way. For the boun - ty you reap, I want to sow ev - ery day. Let the

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neigh - bors peep, we'll put it all on dis - play. - - - A love so rude; A

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pas - sion that won't go a - way. For - get a sup - port group.

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There's no one who can re - late. If it sends me to hell, well, I guess I'll swing on the gate.

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Why try ac - cu - punc - ture? I'm on need - les and pins.

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I'll lose ev - ery bat - tle, but de - feats count as wins. Though the

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world may con - vict me, sure - ly love will ac - quit. You're the one nas - ty hab - it

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that I can't seem to quit.

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