

The Great Unknown

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Just get in there
Gas up the car
If you're gonna go
You'll need fuel for the road
But if you stay
Forget the past
Things that haunt you
They never last
Oh but can they last
Just one more day
Somebody light a candle
Light my way

Like those two who crawled out
From the devil's claws
And then they saw the stars
From the center of the Earth
Or crashing through the atmosphere
The answer unclear
Though written in stone
And when those break
There's nothing but the great unknown

It was a long wait
And a walk down an aisle
He placed his hands on my head
And said "Bless you, my child"
Sweet chrism crossed
And incense burned
Throughout the ages Amen was heard
Are we fools who stay our fear
Declaring one desire most dear

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Teachers line up in rows
To tell me things I already know
As I separate the wheat from the chaff
Until there's no wheat
No laughter left
The sun and moon have disappeared
Might some light enter here?

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Though written in stone
I am afraid of the great unknown