

What About the Love

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I went to see my sister
She was staying with a friend
Who had turned into a preacher
To save the world from sin

He said, "First deny your body
Then learn to submit
Pray to be made worthy
And tithe your ten percent"

I said, "Is this all there is
Just the letter of the law?"
Something's wrong

Went to see my brother
On the 32nd floor
Of a building down on Wall Street
You could hear the future's roar

He said, "Here we make decisions
And we trade commodities
So if you tell me where there's famine
I can make you guarantees"

I said, "Is this all there is
Power to the strong?"
Something's wrong

Something's wrong in heaven tonight
You can almost hear them cry
Angels to the left and the right
Saying, "What about the love?
What about the love? What about the love?"

I went to see my neighbor
He'd been taken to a home
For the weak and the discarded
Who have no place to go

He said, "Here I lack for nothing
I am fed and I am clothed
But at times I miss the freedom
I used to know"

I said, "Is this all there is
When your usefulness is gone?"
Something's wrong

Something's wrong in heaven tonight
You can almost hear them cry
Angels to the left and the right
Saying, "What about the love?
What about the love? What about the love?"

Looked into the mirror
Proud as I could be
And I saw my pointing finger

Pointing back at me

Saying, "Who named you accuser?
Who gave you the scales?"
I hung my head in sorrow
I could almost feel the nails

I said, "This is how it is
To be crucified and judged
Without love"

Something's wrong in heaven tonight
You can almost hear them cry
Angels to the left and the right
Saying, "What about the love?
What about the love? What about the love of God?"

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