

Dignity

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Fat man lookin' in a blade of steel
Thin man lookin' at his last meal
Hollow man lookin' in a cottonfield
For dignity

Wise man lookin' at a blade of grass
Young man lookin' in the shadows that pass
Poor man lookin' through painted glass
For dignity

Somebody got murdered on New Year's Eve
Someone said dignity was the first to leave
I went into the city, I went into the town
In the land of the midnight sun

Searchin' high, searchin' low
Searchin' everywhere I roam
Askin' the cops wherever I go
Have you seen dignity?

Blind man breakin' out of a trance
Puts both his hands in the pockets of chance
Hopin' to find one circumstance
Of dignity

I went to the wedding of Mary Lou
She said, "I don't want nobody to see me talkin' to you"
Said she could be killed if she told me what she knew
'Bout dignity

Footprints runnin' cross the silver sand
Steps fallin' down into tattoo land
I met the sons of darkness and the sons of light
In the border towns of despair

So many roads, so much at stake
Too many dead ends, I'm at the end of the lake
Sometimes I wonder what it's gonna take
To find dignity