Humankind

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I've read that it's official That our love has solidified in ritual And all our sweet nothings melted into vitriol We eat it up, we chew it round, we spit it out But I doubt that we've got a lot to shout about The time has come, the bell has rung and now it's seconds out I'm just a man but I try to be a human I'm just a man but I try to be a human Now the inmates are in charge of the asylum All this silence, it will only lead to violence Now the inmates are in charge of the asylum Watch out

I've seen the big oaks falling And I've heard the dying voice of England calling No vote is worth a damn, we're stuck here in our heartland stalling Her nerve is twice as cold as the icebox in my fridge I'd write you letters but she took away my privilege I'll be there at the auction just to see how high she'll bid I'm just a man but I try to be human I'm just a man but I try to be human Now the inmates are in charge of the asylum All this silence, well it might only lead to violence Now the inmates are in charge of the asylum Watch out

They clipped my ticket but they took away the cinema Well now they just show films with things the way they think they are Some things may be black and white but not when there's a color bar You tell me not to throw it's only someone's policy I think you oughta know I'm sick of ideology yeah I'm gonna hide right now, will you clear up this mess for me? I'm just a man but I try to be human I'm just a man but I try to be human Now the inmates are in charge of the asylum All this silence, well it could only lead to violence Now the inmates are in charge of the asylum Watch out They're taking my humanity and they're trying to squeeze it out of me They're taking my humanity and they're trying to squeeze it out of me

I'm just a man but I try to be a humane man