## Remnant

**Josh Ritter** 

I know who you are old man keep running I caught your trail as you left the pines Out into the fields where you couldn't hide nowhere Just a thin stitch up against the rising line And up through the blue I knew the stars were tumbling Up through the blue I knew the star were tumbling

I know who you are old man keep running I tracked you down by the look in the eyes Of a thousand gone faces pressed against their windows Horses hiding in the willows til the storm passed by And a fine gray dust seemed to settle on the future A fine gray dust seemed to settle in between Your hat and the dapple of my appaloosa The only living things that I could see And up through the blue I knew that stars were tumbling Up through the blue I knew the stars were tumbling

I know who you are old man keep running I walked across the bottom of the lake below Your boat and did you know that when you landed I was watching As the sky turned dark as the eyes of a foal And I'll know you by the shift of the wind in the cobwebs The sawdust swirls in the fins of the bullheads The craters that you made when you lay down dreaming Strange constellations that you gave new meaning By the teeth marks you made on bones from the ice age Then smell of the cinder burning slow in your rib cage Listen in the distance and you'll hear my shadow Footsteps soft as the tread of an echo And up through the blue I knew the stars were tumbling Up through the blue I knew the stars were tumbling

And the ground will open out into a mouth below us And the mouth will open out into the empty sky And the whistle as we hurtle through the halls of onyx The only sound around us as we go by

And I'll follow you out through the wells of charcoal Moonlit stones around the cones of a black hole Through the fields where grow the ever and forever The tessellated blooms with the voids at their centers Through the million rooms in a bead of luminescence The filaments on the looms of dimension

The pillars of creation where they make the planets The billion tiny teeth that tear the charge from your atoms In a trillion tiny bites they'll eat the meat from the pearl And throw your soul away a cold gray little world

And nothing that is hidden will be revealed And nothing that is hidden will be revealed And nothing that is hidden will be revealed