

## **Bad Religion**

# **"Portrait of Authority"**

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Nothing more, nothing less  
An icon on the wall decoration and duress  
That which many strive to be  
It's the marble statue standing over me

And nobody has the will to tear it down  
It determines wrong and right  
But to me its just a stereotype  
And it makes us lose our sight

The portait of authority  
(Portait of authority)  
You tell me that's what I'm supposed to be  
(Portait of authority)  
You tell me what I'm supposed to be

Another time another man  
And oppressive intrusion and a plague across his land

And it haunts him every day  
It tells him he has no chance his hopes just fade away

And he lives his life pretend to tear it down  
But he can't muster the support  
And to him it's just a stereotype  
Of his life long fight

The portait of authority  
(Portait of authority)  
It embodies what he cannot be  
(Portait of authority)  
[Incomprehensible] he cannot be

You're portait of authority  
(Portait of authority)  
The portait of authority

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