

Dream Theater

"Take Away My Pain (Alternate)"

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[Studio demo from 1997, recorded during the making of the album]

[Falling Into Infinity. Available on the Fan Club Christmas CD 1997.]

- John Petrucci

I was sitting on the edge of his bed
Staring at the headlines on the paper
He said, 'Look at poor Gene Kelly
I guess he won't be singing in the rain.'

Then we talked about the weather and the game
Election day and things I can't remember
But all that I could think of
Was this would be the last time
That we'd talk about anything
You took away my heroes
Can you take away my pain

Take away my pain
Please don't let it rain
Take away my pain
I'm not frightened anymore
I'll be knocking at your door

She was standing by the edge of his bed
Staring at the message on their faces
He said, 'What else can you do, babe?
I guess I won't be coming home again.'
They just took away all my promises
Make them take away my pain

Take away my pain
Please don't let it rain
Take away my pain
I'm not frightened anymore
Just stay with me tonight
I'm tired of this fight
Soon I'll be knocking at your door

His final scene
The actor bows

And all those dreams
Are gone somehow
The crowd applauds
The curtain falls
There'll be no encore after all

I was sitting on the edge of my bed
Staring at the paper through my tears
It read, 'Say Goodbye to Jesus'
The world he left will never be the same
You took away my hero
Will you take away my pain

Take away my pain
Let the cold inside
Time to let it rain
There's nothing left to hide
Take away my pain
I'm not frightened anymore
I'm learning to survive
Without you in my life
Til you come knocking at my door...

Keep knocking, keep knocking
Knocking at my door

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