Joe Pug "Hymn #101"

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And I've come to know the wish list of my father I've come to know the shipwrecks where he's been I've come to wish allow Among the overdressed crowd Come to witness now the sinking of this ship Throwing pennies from the sea top next to it

And I've come to roam the forest Past the village With a dozen lazy horses in my cart I've come here to get high To do more than just get by I've come to test the timber of my heart Oh I've come to test the timber of my heart

And I've come To be untroubled in my seeking And I've come To see that nothing is for not I've come to reach out blind To reach forward and behind For the more I seek The more I'm sought Yea the more I seek The more I'm sought

And I've come to meet the sheriff And his posse To offer him the broad side of my jaw I've come here to get broke And maybe bum a smoke We'll go drinking two towns over after all Oh we'll go drinking two towns over after all

And I've come to meet the legendary takers I've only come to ask them for a lot Aw they say I come with less Than I should rightfully possess I say: The more I buy The more I'm bought And the more I'm bought The less I cost

And I've come
To take their servants and their surplus
And I've come
To take their rain coats and their speed
I've come to get my fill
To ransack and spill
I've come to take the harvest for the seed
I've come to take the harvest for the seed

And I've come to know the manger you sleep in I've come to be the stranger that you keep I've come from down the road
And my footsteps never slowed
Before we met I knew we'd meet
Before we met I knew we'd meet

And I've come here to ignore you cries and heartaches I've come to closely listen to you sing I've come here to insist
That I leave here with a kiss
I've come to say exactly what I mean
And I mean so many things

And you've come
To know me stubborn as a bitcher
And you've come
To know me thankless as a guest
But will you recognize my face
When god's awful grace
Strips me of my jacket and my vest
And reveals all the treasure in my chest.

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