

## John K. Samson

### "Nothing But"

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Words and Music by John Kay

They say that true paradise lies in the heart of man  
That maybe so, but I'm ready once more  
To run for the cover of my secret hiding place  
Where I can burn all the memories of war

Sometimes it's mountains lakes, high in the Sierras  
Sometimes the peaceful shore of Hana Bay  
And I'll take you with me to share every moment  
If you will just promise to do what I say:

Bring nothing but silence  
Show nothing but grace  
Seek nothing but shelter  
From the great human race  
Take nothing but pictures  
Kill nothing but time  
Leave nothing but footprints  
To show you came by

So very few places that man hasn't scarred  
Taken for granted or taken in vain  
I wonder, my child as we lie here beneath the stars  
What will be left for your children to claim

Maybe someday you'll be walking on Venus  
Maybe some day you may live in the sea  
Remember I taught you to love Mother Nature  
For it was she who once gave you to me

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