

## **Lake & Palmer Emerson**

### **"Karn Evil 9 First Impression"**

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Cold and misty morning, I heard a warning borne in the  
air

About an age of power where no one had an hour to  
spare,

Where the seeds have withered, silent children  
shivered, in the cold

Now their faces captured in the lenses of the jackals  
for gold.

Ill be there

Ill be there

I will be there.

Suffering in silence, theyve all been betrayed.

They hurt them and they beat them, in a terrible way,

Praying for survival at the end of the day.

There is no compassion for those who stay.

Ill be there

Ill be there

I will be there.

There must be someone who can set them free:

To take their sorrow from this odyssey

To help the helpless and the refugee

To protect whats left of humanity.

Cant you see

Cant you see

Cant you see.

Ill be there

Ill be there

I will be there;

To heal their sorrow

To beg and borrow

Fight tommorow.

Step inside! hello! weve the most amazing show

Youll enjoy it all we know

Step inside! step inside!

Weve got thrills and shocks, supersonic fighting cocks.

Leave your hammers at the box

Come inside! come inside!

Roll up! roll up! roll up!  
See the show!

Left behind the bars, rows of bishops heads in jars  
And a bomb inside a car  
Spectacular! spectacular!

If you follow me theres a speciality  
Some tears for you to see  
Misery, misery,  
Roll up! roll up! roll up!  
See the show!

Next upon the bill in our house of vaudeville  
Weve a stripper in a till  
What a thrill! what a thrill!  
And not content with that, with our hands behind our  
backs,  
We pull jesus from a hat,  
Get into that! get into that!  
Roll up! roll up! roll up!  
See the show!

Welcome back my friends to the show that never ends  
Were so glad you could attend  
Come inside! come inside!  
There behind a glass is a real blade of grass  
Be careful as you pass.  
Move along! move along!

Come inside, the shows about to start  
Guaranteed to blow your head apart  
Rest assured youll get your moneys worth  
The greatest show in heaven, hell or earth.  
Youve got to see the show, its a dynamo.  
Youve got to see the show, its rock and roll ....

Soon the gypsy queen in a glaze of vaseline  
Will perform on guillotine  
What a scene! what a scene!  
Next upon the stand will you please extend a hand  
To alexanders ragtime band  
Roll up! roll up! roll up!  
See the show!

Performing on a stool weve a sight to make you drool  
Seven virgins and a mule  
Keep it cool. keep it cool.  
We would like it to be known the exhibits that were  
shown  
Were exclusively our own,

All our own. all our own.  
Come and see the show! come and see the show!  
come and see the show!  
See the show!

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