

Merle Haggard

"Games People Play"

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Oh, the games people play now
Every night and every day now
Never meanin' what they say now
And never sayin' what they mean

So, they whyle away the hours
In their ivory towers
Till they're covered up with flowers
In the back of a black limousine

La, de, da, da, da, da, da
La, de, da, da, da, da, de
Talkin' 'bout you and me
And the games people play

Lord, they make one another cry
Break their hearts and never say goodbye
Cross their hearts and they hope to die
That the other was to blame

And neither one would ever give in
So they gaze at an eight by ten
Thinkin' 'bout the ways it might have been
And it's a dirty rotten shame

La, de, da, da, da, da, da
La, de, da, da, da, da, de
Talkin' 'bout you and me
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People walkin' up to you
They're singin' 'Glory Hallelujah'
And they're tryin' to sock it to you
In the name of the Lord

They gonna teach you how to meditate
Read your horoscope and cheat your fate
Further more to hell with hate
Come on and get on board

La, de, da, da, da, da, da
La, de, da, da, da, da, de

Talkin' 'bout you and me
And the games people play

Look around and tell me what you see
What's happenin' to you and me
God, grant me the serenity
To just remember who I am

'Cause you've given up your sanity
For your pride and your vanity
Turn your back on humanity
And you don't give a da, da, da, da, da

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