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"History Will Teach Us Nothing"

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If we seek solace in the prisons of the distant past
Security in human systems we're told will always
always last
Emotions are the sail and blind faith is the mast
Without a breath of real freedom we're getting
nowhere fast

If God is dead and an actor plays his part
His words of fear will find their way to a place in your
heart
Without the voice of reason every faith is its own curse
Without freedom from the past things can only get
worse

Sooner or later just like the world first day
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Our written history is a catalogue of crime
The sordid and the powerful, the architects of time
The mother of invention, the oppression of the mild
The constant fear of scarcity, aggression as its child

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Convince an enemy, convince him that he's wrong
Is to win a bloodless battle where victory is long
A simple act of faith
In reason over might
To blow up his children will only prove him right
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