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"Ladder"

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I've got brains
like antique floors
I built each one
on the one before
I use all three
but they don't agree

One of them
wants to love you
Another one
would love to club you
I guess my old natures
move like glaciers

Chorus:
The fish became a lizard
The shrew became an ape
Will the ape become an angel?
The higher that we climb
The more the ladder sways

I'm the bastard child
the one who got
the head of Einstein
and the soul of Pol Pot
there's no compassion
but I can split the atom

Better give me a microscope
for a different eye
Better give me a telescope
for the inward sky
and a ladder leading
up from Eden

Chorus

If Ramana Maharshi
came from clay
there's more to evolution
than a little DNA

Cut off the moorings
to the inward ark
Aiming it into
a question mark

The fish became a lizard
The shrew became an ape
will the ape
become a Mother Teresa?
She came from clay
There's more to evolution
than a little DNA

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