

The Incredible String Band "Job's Tears"

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We're all still here no one has gone away Waiting, acting much too well and procrastinating

The cross of the earth (let me go through) The four winds point them Body to body Seas to anoint them The reed they brought him Sponge and vinegar Fiery serpents Spitting gold and cinnamon The moon was bleeding And stars were shallow And the sword that killed him Was a sword of willow

Hello I must be going well I only came to say I hear my mother calling and I must be on my way

O I remember it all from before

The winter and the midnight Could not hold him The fire could not burn him Nor earth enfold him Rise up Lazarus Sweet and salty Brother soldiers Stop your gambling and talk to me The thieves were stealers But reason condemned him And the grave was empty Where they had laid him

Why heroes die at sunrise Why the birds are arrows of the wise Why each perfumed flower Why each moment has its hour

lt's you lt's all true

Stranger than that we're alive Stranger than that Stranger than that Whatever you think It's more than that, more than that Happy man, the happy man Doing the best he can

Keep on walking where the angels showed (All will be one) Travelling where the saints have trod Over in the old golden land In the golden book of the golden game The golden angel wrote my name When the deal goes down I'll put my crown Over in the old golden land

I won't need to kiss you when we're there (All will be one) I won't need to miss you when we're there Over in the old golden land

We'll understand it better in the sweet bye and bye You won't need to worry and you won't have to cry Over in the old golden land

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