

**Richard Shindell****"Ascent"**

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I have no explanation  
I cannot be of help  
But you see my situation  
I don't recognize myself  
It happened without reason  
It happened just like that  
I've no more information  
Beyond the simple fact

There was never any warning  
There was never any sign  
It's just that I woke up this morning  
And eternity was mine

Search my family history  
Analyze my dreams  
Expose my contradictions  
Reduce me to the mean  
What you find might be revealing  
It might very well be true  
But you don't know what you're dealing with  
You haven't got a clue

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There was never any sign  
It's just that I woke up this morning  
And eternity was mine

God knows I don't deserve this  
After all the pain I've caused  
But do me one last service  
Before I take that walk  
Before my soul flies from this chamber  
And heaven beckons me across  
Read me what the Saviour said  
To that thief upon the Cross

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