

Rich Mullins

"Higher Education And The Book Of Love"

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"INTRO ~ What does it mean to be human? What does it mean to be human?
I cannot help but suspect that at one time in the history of thinking
that people believed that it meant that we were spiritual and that we
could make choices and were capable of aspiring to higher ideals...
like maybe loyalty or maybe faith... or maybe even love. But now we are told by people who think they know, that we vary from
amoeba only in the complexity of our makeup and not in what we
essentially are. They would have us think as Dysart said that we are
forever bound up in certain genetic reigns - that we are merely products
of the way things are and not free - not free to be the people who make
them that way. They would have us see ourselves as products so that
we could believe that we were something to be made - something to
be used and then something to be disposed of. Used in their wars -
used for their gains and then set aside when we get in their way.
Well, who are they? They are the few who sit at the top of the heap -
dung heap though it is - and who say it is better to reign in Hell than
to serve in Heaven. Well, I do not know that we can have a Heaven
here on earth, but I am sure we need not have a Hell either.
What does it mean to be human? I cannot help but believe that it means
we are spiritual - that we are responsible and that we are free - that
we are responsible to be free."

"When I was back in high school

They said boy try and make some sense
Grow up and be a consumer
And not a dissident
Don't worry 'bout the system
Just watch out for yourself
It sounded just like the wisdom
That comes straight out of Hell
They said (shut up) don't make no ripples
(Shut up) don't raise no stink
I heard so much of their drivell
It's a wonder I can think

Don't give me that
I want the truth
Don't say for fact
What is only point of view
Don't give me that
I've had enough
We best get back to what was written
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Well when I went to college
They said boy get this straight
You're just a tailless monkey
You're a hairless ape
We're on a scary evolutionary stairway
Who knows where
Trusting higher education
To get us all there
There ain't no values no morals
There's no rights and no wrongs
Never knowing where we're going
Well it's hard to go wrong

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(Higher)
(Higher education and the Book of Love)

When I came to my senses
At the foot of the cross
I saw the wisdom that comes
From the fear of God
How it is pure it loves peace

It's full of mercy and good fruit
It had the power to free me
The power of the truth
Like a setting of silver
On an apple of gold
Is a word aptly spoken
Is the truth clearly told

Now give me that
'Cause that's the truth
It's bigger than fact
It's broader than your point of view
Now give me that
Can't get enough
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