

Greatful Dead

"Ship Of Fools"

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Went to see the captain, strangest I could find,

Laid my proposition down, laid it on the line.

I won't slave for beggar's pay, likewise gold and
jewels,

But I would slave to learn the way to sink your ship of
fools.

Ship of fools on a cruel sea, ship of fools sail away
from me.

It was later than I thought when I first believed you,

Now I cannot share your laughter, ship of fools.

Saw your first ship sink and drown, from rockin' of the
boat,

And all that could not sink or swim was just left there to
float.

I won't leave you drifting down, but woh it makes me
wild,

With thirty years upon my head to have you call me
child.

Ship of fools on a cruel sea, ship of fools sail away
from me.

It was later than I thought when I first believed you,

Now I cannot share your laughter, ship of fools.

The bottles stand as empty, as they were filled before.

Time there was and plenty, but from that cup no more.

Though I could not caution all, I still might warn a few:

Don't lend your hand to raise no flag atop no ship of
fools.

Ship of fools on a cruel sea, ship of fools sail away
from me.

It was later than I thought, when I first believed you,

Now I cannot share your laughter, ship of fools.

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