

Ani Difranco

"Back Back Back"

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Back, back, back in the back of your mind
Are you learning an angry language?
Tell me boy, boy, boy are you tending to your joy
Or are you just letting it vanquish?

Back, back, back in the dark of your mind
Where the eyes of your demons are gleaming
Are you mad, mad, mad about the life you never had
Even when you are dreaming

Who are these old, old, old people in these nursing
homes
Scowling away at nothing like big rag dolls
Just cursing at the walls and pulling out all of their
stuffing
Every day is a door leading back to the core

Yes, old age will distill you
And if you're this, this, this full of bitterness now
Some day it will just fill you

When you sit right down in the middle of yourself
You're gonna wanna have a comfortable chair
So renovate your soul before you get too old
'Cuz you're gonna be housebound there

When you're old, you fold up like an envelope
And you mail yourself right inside
And there's nowhere to go except out real slow
Are you ready boy for that ride?

Your arrogance is gaining on you and so is eternity
You better practice happiness, you better practice
humility
You took the air, you took the time
You were fed and you were free

Now you'd better put some beauty back
While you got the energy
You'd better put some beauty back, boy
While you got the energy

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