Don Henley, Little Tin God

" A new age is dawning On fewer than expected Business is usual" That's how the headline read Some shaky modern saviors Have now been resurrected In all this excitement You may have been misled People want a miracle We're tryin' to make a livin' down here

They say "Oh Lord, can't you see us?

And keep the children fed"

But, from little dark motel rooms

to "Six Flags Over Jesus"

" How are the mighty fallen & quot;

So the Bible said

You don't have to pray to a little tin god Step out of the way for a little tin god

You might fear the reaper, you might fear the rod But you never have to get down on your knees

You don't have to holler, "please, please"

No, you never have to get down on your knees

For a little tin god

The cowboy's name was "Jingo"

And he knew that there was trouble

So in a blaze of glory

He rode out of the west

No one was ever certain

What it was that he was sayin'

But they loved it when he told them

They were better than the rest

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Step out of the way for a little tin god

You might hate to system, hate the job

But you never have to get down on your knees

You don't have to holler, "please, please"

No, you never have to get down on your knees

For a little tin god

Throw down a rope from heaven

And lead the flock to water

The man in the middle would have you think

That you have no other choice

But to wander in the wilderness

Of all the upturned faces

If you stop and listen long enough

You will hear your own small voice

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