

# Lou Reed, Foot Of Pride

(Bob Dylan)

Like the lion tears the flesh off of a man  
so can a woman who passes herself off as a male  
They sang "Danny Boy" at his funeral and the Lord's Prayer  
preacher talking 'bout Christ betrayed  
Like the earth just opened and swallowed him up  
reached too high, was thrown back to the ground  
You know what they say about bein' nice to the right people on the way up  
sooner or later you gonna meet them comin' down

Oh, there ain't no comin' back when your foot of pride come down  
ain't no comin' back  
Oh, no, comin' back when your foot of pride come down  
ain't no comin' back

They got a brother named James, don't forget faces or names  
sunken cheeks and his blood is mixed  
He looked straight into the sun and said revenge is mine  
but he drinks, and drinks can be fixed  
Sing me one more song, ha, about ya love me to the moon and the stranger  
and your fall by the sword love affair with Erroll Flynn  
In these times of compassion when conformity's in fashion  
say, one more stupid thing to me before the final nail is driven in

Oh, there ain't no comin' back when your foot of pride come down  
hey, hey, hey, hey  
Oh, baby, ain't no comin' back when your foot of pride come down  
hey, hey, hey, hey, ain't no comin' back

There's a retired businessman named Red ...  
cast down from heaven and he's out of his head  
He feeds off of everyone that he can touch  
he said he only deals in cash or sells tickets to a plane crash  
Not somebody that you play around with much Miss Delilah is his  
a Philistine is what she is, She'll do wondrous works with your fate  
Ah, Feed you coconut bread, spice buns in your bed  
if you don't mind sleepin' with your head face down in a grave

Oh, there ain't no comin' back when your foot of pride come down  
baby, hey, hey, hey, hey, ain't no comin' back, oh, oh  
there, hey, hey, ain't no comin' back when your foot of pride come down  
oh, oh, ain't no comin' back

Oh, they'll choose a man for you to meet tonight  
you'll play the fool and learn how to walk through doors  
How to enter into the gates of paradise, no  
how to carry a burden too heavy to be yours  
Yeah, from the stage they'll be tryin' to get water outta rocks  
a whore will pass the hat, collect a hundred grand and say  
hey, hey, hey, thanks  
They like to take all this money from sin  
build big universities to study in  
sing "Amazing Grace" all the way to the Swiss banks

Oh, there ain't no comin' back when your foot of pride come down  
hey, hey, hey, ain't no comin' back, baby, ain't no comin' back  
Oh, foot of pride come down, ain't no comin' back, ah, ha, ha  
ain't no comin' back

They got some beautiful people out there, man  
they can be a terror to your mind  
And show you how to hold your tongue  
they got mystery written all over their forehead

they kill babies in the crib and say only the good die young  
They don't believe in mercy, ah, judgment on them  
is something, something that, something that, you'll never see  
Ah, They can exalt you up or bring you down main route  
turn you into anything that they want you to be

Ooohhh, ooohhh, ain't no comin' back when your foot of pride  
ain't no comin' back  
Hey, no comin' back when your foot of pride  
ain't, ain't no comin' back

Yes, I guess I loved him too  
I can still see him in my mind climbin' that hill  
Ah, did he make it to the top, well he probably did and dropped  
struck down by the strength of the will  
Ah, ain't nothin' left here partner  
just the dust of a plague, left that whole, left that whole  
Town afraid from now on, this'll be where you're from  
let the dead bury the dead, your time will come  
let hot iron blow as he raised the shade

Oh, baby, baby, ain't no comin' back when your foot of pride come down  
oh, oh, oh, oh, ain't no comin' back  
Oh, oh, oh, ain't no comin' back, you know that  
foot, foot, foot, foot of pride come down

Oh, ain't no comin' back, ain't no comin' back  
oh, ain't no comin' back, baby, oh, no, no, ain't no comin' back