

Patti Smith, Stride Of The Mind

(Smith/Ray)

I took a walk out to the sun But I just, just couldn't take it
I followed a dream It was circular
But I just, just could not fake it

Step to the left the left the left Step to the right the right the right
Pick up the sign the sign the sign For a stride of the mind the mind

Simon of the desert blew into town On the scalding tail of a bright cold wind
Slipped through the sand Footprints emerged
Where no one was walking Simon had been

Dropped from heaven To a ready made world
Said I'm no Sufi But I'll give it a whirl
We booked passage on the Book of the Dead
Time to travel Simon said

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Pick up the sign the sign the sign On the stride of the mind the mind the mind

Come on move where dreams increase Where every man is a masterpiece
If you want to be counted As another kind
And you're true, pursue Stride of the mind the mind the mind...

He bowed three times Removed his fez
Pointed to heaven And Simon says
The mind the mind the mind Pick up the sign the mind the mind
It's a vertical climb the climb the climb Stride of the mind the mind the mind
Pick up the sign the sign the sign It's a vertical climb the climb
Take it in stride