

Vertical Horizon, Wash Away (Live Stages Version)

An old man lying by the road
Black as night
He's got his finger on the trigger
An easy target in sight
He's got no future, no family tree
He's got a three dollar bottle
And he drinks 'til he can't see
All night, all night...

A young girl waiting on a line
Eight a.m., she's got a six month old burden
Willpower's withering thin
An unwed mother beaten by her trade
Each week her welfare reminds her
Of mistakes she never made
Oh no...

Now what has that to say about tomorrow
What has that to show for today
Noah thought to build an ark
Before the heavens washed it all away
Away...

A baby crying through a dream
An afterthought
Mother is seething for pleasure
After the poison is bought
His eyes are tainted, staggered is his breath
Oh God, he's addicted
Addicted to death
Oh, no...

sooo, now
what has that to say about tomorrow
What has that to show for today, yeah yeah yeah
Noah thought to build an ark
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(vocal interlude of keith kane and matt scannell)

Keith:
Two by two they enter now,
Don't you think you'll wonder how?
Can't you see he wants you there?
Take you by your golden hair. (6x)

Matt:
I know things will change
I know things get better (2x)
If I call out to you, would you lend me your hand?
Would you save me from all that I might have been? (2x)

Keith:
The devil came upon me, he found me on my knees.
Said, "Son, you ought to be a purer man,
If you could see my spirit, baby, flowing through the breeze,"
Said, "Life could be so very grand."
And so it shall be written, so then it shall be,
Said, "So it shall be, therefore it shall be."
So it shall be written, so then it shall be
So it shall be written, so it shall be...yeah

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awaaay
awaaay
alright, alright, right yeah
nooo