

# Bad Religion, Doin' Time

Bad Religion

80-85

Doin' Time

See the fight, old men crying, deny their ruin.

Watch them try. The cynic laughs at the optimist's closed eyes.

Darkness falls, curtain calls, the cynic's beer soon overflows.

Other watches, has a drink, and from the same cup,

They drink

I'm doin' time, how long I don't know.

William had 26, blew his brains out, now look at him.

John had only one, watch the mother mourn her only son.

I'm doin' time, how long I don't know.

I'll kiss goodbye my brain and body

And go to sleep for generations.

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Salvation:

Cease concentration.

You'll only lose the fight.

Don't tell me what's wrong or right!

You're losing sight.

You're just gonna die anyway!

@ALBUM: Back to the Known EP

Bad Religion: Back to the Known EP (Epitath EP1-BREP2, 1984)

After their first album, as band members slowly drifted away, Greg Graffin gradually changed the direction of their music, eventually playing neo-psychedelic folksy songs that nobody seemed to like. After releasing the album *Into the Unknown* and a few tracks on compilations, the band finally broke up, Greg moved back home, and that appeared to be it for Bad Religion.

Then, in 1984, Greg moved back to LA and he and Greg Hetson restarted the band. Although Greg's two original songwriting partners (Brett, the original guitarist, and Jay, the original bassist) were missing, it was still a reunion of sorts and a return to straightforward punk rock (although a bit slower than their old music). Toward the end of the year, after playing a few shows, they went into the studio, with Brett engineering and producing, and recorded a new 5-song EP called *Back to the Known*, which most people nowadays know as tracks 21-25 on the "80-85" CD. This EP is also known as "The Slow Record" (although compared to *Into the Known*, and later albums like *Recipe For Hate*, it doesn't sound so slow...)

The lineup was Greg Graffin (vocals), Greg Hetson (guitars), Tim Gallegos (bass), and Pete Finestone (drums).

Sequence: Yesterday

Frogger

Bad Religion (Theme Song)

Along the Way

New Leaf

The lyrics on this EP are essentially guesses; hopefully someone can correct my errors before they cause irreparable harm to the fabric of the universe....