

# Bad Religion, Portait Of Authority

Bad Religion  
Recipe For Hate  
Portait Of Authority  
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nothing more nothing less  
an icon on the wall decoration and  
duress  
that which many strive to be  
its the merble statue standing over me  
and nobody has the will to tear it down  
it determines wrong and right  
but to me its just a stereotype  
and it makes us lose our sight  
the portait of authority  
you tell me  
that's what im supposed to be  
(it embodies what he cannot be)  
another time another man  
and oppressive intrusion  
and a plague across his land  
and it haunts him every day  
it tells him he has no chance  
his hopes just fade away  
and he can't muster the support  
and to him it's just a stereotype  
of his life-long fight