

# Talkin' Bear Mountain Picnic Massacre Blues

Bob Dylan

Well, I saw it advertised one day  
That the Bear Mountain picnic was comin' my way  
'Come along and take a trip, we'll bring you up there on a ship  
Bring the wife and family, bring the whole kids', yippee  
Well, I run right down and bought a ticket  
To this thing called the Bear Mountain Picnic  
Little did I realize, I was in for a pleasant, funny surprise  
It had nothin' to do with picnics  
Didn't come close to a mountain, I hate bears  
Took the wife and kids down to the pier  
There were six thousand people there  
Everybody had a ticket for the trip  
"Oh well", I said, "It's a pretty big ship  
Besides, anyhow, the more the merrier"  
Well, we all got on and what do you think  
That big old boat started to sink  
More people kept a-pilin' on  
That old ship was a-goin' down  
Funny way to start a picnic  
Well, I soon lost track of my kids and wife  
So many people I never saw in my life  
That old ship was sinkin' down in the water  
There were six thousand people tryin' to kill each other  
Dogs a-barkin', cats a-screamin',  
Women a-yellin', men a-flyin', fists a-flyin', paper flyin'  
Cops a-comin', me runnin'  
Maybe we just better call off the picnic  
I got shoved down and pushed around  
All I remember was a moanin' sound  
Don't remember one thing more  
All I remember's walkin' up on a shore  
My arms and legs were broken  
My feet was splintered, my head was cracked  
I couldn't walk, couldn't talk, smell, feel  
Couldn't see, I didn't know where I was  
I was bald, quite lucky to be alive though  
Well, feelin' like I just climbed outta my casket  
I grabbed back hold of my picnic basket  
Took the wife and kids and started home  
Wishin' I'd never got up that mornin'  
Now, I don't care just what you do  
If you wanna have a picnic, that's up to you  
But don't tell me about it, I don't wanna hear it  
'Cause see, I just lost all my picnic spirit  
Stay in my kitchen, have picnics  
See I got picnic in my bathroom  
Now, it don't seem to me quite so funny  
What some people are gonna do for money

There's a brand new gimmick every day  
Just to take somebody's money away I think we oughta take some of these people  
Put 'em on a boat, send 'em up to Bear Mountain for a picnic  
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