

# Miserere

## The Tallis Scholars

Do you ever look around  
turn your ear to the ground  
show your face to the sky  
on a night when the skies echo sounds  
from inside of your mind  
on the stage that you shone  
where the sun did become you  
and move with your thoughts  
through the sighs and the scenes  
of the worlds you have seen  
and the sights that have been  
your reflection in shadows and dreams?  
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Did you ever see a man  
who did walk down the street  
white robe with no shoes on his feet  
and on top of his head place a box with two slits  
and the sign from his neck said  
?I do not exist?  
or a woman who could not remember her name  
did stutter and stutter  
again and again  
and saw you and called you her son  
her eyes said  
?my being is gone  
but still I?m not dead??

### Miserere

Have you ever seen a sound  
have you listened to an image  
have you ever touched a thought  
have you ever tasted nothing  
have you ever told a lie  
that was true more than truth  
because truth it had lied  
all its life when it spoke to you?  
And what did it say

it is that it is this  
this goes here here is there  
it is not yes it is  
it was dulling your senses  
your eyes they were bound  
have you ever my friends  
been looking around?

And the other replies  
with a wave of a hand  
I am already here  
in this promised land  
but not by a god and not by a king  
and not by a spirit  
deep from within  
I am here  
because a miracle? is a whim  
it? s a flash of glory  
it? s an empty tin  
and maybe might lets you in  
not to save you  
but to keep on looking-

Miserere?

Have you ever  
been so happy that you? re sad?  
that the lights turn to stars  
and the stars become eyes  
and hello? s are goodbye? s  
and the laughs are the sigh? s  
and the show disappears with the note  
? until next time?

Long live living  
if living can be this

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