

It's a Different World Now

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To make the world a better place like dreamers often will
We left our bed of roses to push that rock up hill
The way we went about our task proved destined for to fail
Who we thought we were don't ask there's no way you can tell
It's a different world now to say the least
The sun comes up from in the west and sets down in the east
The stars are out there shining but just where we can not say
It's different world now like night and day
In the name of self defense we built bombs to prove a point
And we'd drop them on our neighbors when their nose got out of joint
To sell the same hamburger rain forests had to go
Hell we don't need no air to breathe but just don't tell us no
It's a different world now without a doubt
The raindrops fall to Heaven and the tides go rolling out
The rivers flow like powdered milk and the wind blows with a wheeze
It's a different world now there are no trees
I take a look around and I see ice caps in your eyes
Desert where the swamp should be beneath cold black canvas skies
I take a look around and I see crossbones on a rose
How we let this come to be seems no one really knows
In life's rich beauty pageant we put children on a stage
Said flash your soft white belly child but just don't act your age
Sell sex like cotton candy to young and old alike
When you've outlived the fantasy girl you can take a hike
It's a different world now but what to do
We had our fifteen minutes and we blew it right on cue
We used up mother nature like a twenty dollar whore
It's a different world now there ain't no more

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