The Big Picture

Bright Eyes

The picture is far too big to look at kid
Your eyes won't open wide enough
And you are constantly surrounded
By the swirling stream of what is and what wasWell, we all made our predictions
But the truth still isn't out
But if you wanna see the future
Go stare into a cloudAnd keep trying to find your way out
Of that maze of memories
It all sort of looks familiar
Until you get up close and then it's different clearlyBut each time you turn a corner
You are, you are right back where you were
And your only hope is that forgetting
Might make a door appearWell, is it your fear of being buried
That makes you so afraid to speak?
An avalanche of opinions
Like the one that fell, that I am now underneathIt was my voice that moved the first rock
And I would do it all over again
So, I mean it's cool if you keep quiet
But I like singing, yeahSo I'll be holding my note and stomping
And strumming and feeling so very lucky
There is nothing I know except this lifetime
Is one moment and wishing will just leave me emptySo you can try and live in darkness
But you will never shake the light
It will greet you every morning
And it'll make you more aware with its absence at nightWhen you are wrapped up in your blankets, baby
That comfortable cocoon
But I have seen the day of your awakening, boy
And it's coming soonSo go ahead and lose yourself in liquor
And you can praise the clouded mind
But it isn't what you are thinking, no
It's the course of history, your position in lineYou are just a piece of the puzzle
So I think you better find your place
And don't go blamin' your knowledge
On some fruit you ate'Cause there's been a great deal of discussion
Yes, about the properties of man
Animal or angel? You were carved from bone
But your heart it's just sandAnd the wind is going to scatter it
And cover everything with love
So if it makes you happy then

Keep kneeling, Mama, but I am standing upBecause this veil, it has been lifted, yes
My eyes are wet with clarity
I have been a witness to such wonders
Oh, I have searched for them all across this countryBut I think I'll be returning now
To the town where I was born
And I understand you must keep movin' friend
But I am headed homeYeah, I'm gonna follow the road
And let the scenery sweeping by easily enter my body
And I'll send you all this message in code
Underground, over mountains, through forests and deserts and citiesAh, ah, ah, all across electric wires, and baited line, ya
The hook's in deep boys, there is no more time
So you can struggle in the water, be too stubborn to die
Or you could just let go and be lifted to the sky, ah, ah, ah

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