End Of The Innocence

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Remember when the days were long

And rolled beneath a deep blue sky?

Didn't have a care in the world

With mommy and daddy standing by When happily ever after fails

And we've been poisoned by these fairy tales

The lawyers dwell on small details

Since daddy had to flyAah, but I know a place where we can go

That's still untouched by men

We'll sit and watch the clouds roll by

And the tall grass waves in the windAnd you can lay your head back on the ground

And let your hair fall all around me

Offer up your best defense but this is the end

This is the end of the innocenceOh, beautiful for spacious skies

But now those skies are threatening

They're beating plowshares into swords

For this tired old man that we elected kingArmchair warriors often fail

And we've been poisoned by these fairy tales

The lawyers clean up all details

Since daddy had to lieAah, but I know a place where we can go

And wash away this sin

We'll sit and watch the clouds roll by

And the tall grass waves in the windJust lay your head back on the ground

And let your hair spill all around me

Offer up your best defense but this is the end

This is the end of the innocenceWho knows how long this will last

Now we've come so far, so fast

But somewhere back there in the dust

That same small town in each of usI need to remember this

So baby, give me just one kiss

And let me take a long last look

Before we say goodbyeJust lay your head back on the ground

And let your hair fall all around me

Offer up your best defense, this is the end

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