Illusion of Self

The Last Poets

The holy terror becomes the holy blessing Family values caught in the act of undressing Addicts getting high on early morning out-burts Running through dreams & trampling down flowers Dancing fast from keep from crying Infliting pain from to stop the lying Muggers, muggers, B-boys & Heavy metal Chose under the bridge on Hansell & Gretal Pornography, rape and child abuse Mass murders quoting Doctor Zeuss Black becomes white in this old illusion Money becomes God to complete the confusion Daily visits to late night clubs Disapointment and sadness and ticket stubs Bad little men in sad little rooms Sad little Oak beams become sad little tombs Silent storms and baby screams Wide open soaces of unconscious dreams The churchs are empty the choirs are full He takes a snort and she takes a port

The Sun was dim at childish morning When sleep awakened me to the cries of your distant touch There was no crowded rooms foe Allah to cross No smoked filled fanisies to ensure happiness Ours has become a comedy of errors A tradedgy from the dark side of the moon Conversations, conversations have become shrieks & shrills in the echoes of laughter but still we try two muted poets Sticking it togetjhefor the glamour of the ticker tape parade's birds, birds flying free & attonement of our slavery And our love becomes a saga of jaggered peach of stagnent dreams two addicted lovers, strung out in the heavens of past romance, walks in the park cannot sooth the ravages of tomorrow prescence, yes. We watch new love, we tell the here inside, his blood dripping from our hands like the wine in Roman orgies, its meaning drowning, drowning in the milky green waters of unconsciousness, now all it does is sit there & listen to songs from new & unmarked graves

have we become petrified honest, who can only paint terrified portrates of love, have we lost desperation & the dark & murky swamps of some foriegn smile we can not wait on the rest of the world to comprehend, we can not wait on racist slaves to snatch their freedom from heroes of doom, we cannot wait on luxurious & pompous expressions to share their feeling of God

Shirts, ties & very well groomed, patronising that, that once was assumed.Round & round the merry-go-round, grabbing the ring while stuck to the ground, little ambitions with great big drugs, over-night sensations on bear-skin rugs, Highly mediocre becomes highly paid, highly empowered then highly afraid. Winning becomes everything but nothing at all, loosing your footing & starting to fall. Women in anger, women in style, women guide coming down the aisle, to know how dangerous games can be. To get stuck in a vision but never see, mistaking pleasure for something to keep, taking yourself to be something so deep.Big time lawyers become no better than thieves, pleading insanity while justice grieves, pretensious smiles patroling the beat, life become miserable then out of reach, subway rides become subway grieve, public transportation becomes a subway thief. [4:36]

Ours was a moment so devine & yet so very unholy all around let's dance morning prayers, giving praise to the Lord of the universe, while we become athiestic on giving love to one another, it was raining, it was raining that morning inside our fears, as we come so closelt together & decide our screams & you cried (How you cried) & you cried (How you cried), found you stranded & the sensitivity left you wind-swept waves, while I carouse with madness in the shadows of my pride, but the smashed & bittered face of trying, kept trying to tell me there is no glory in the sea, then I did not understand, now I do, if I could have just one more chance with illusion maybe I could make it real, if I could just take the wrapped up of screams & compose whispering signs of change, maybe then you would smile, if I could just take the mystery of night & read it from you in an impromtou poem. Maybe then your arms would open, on pardon, oh yesterday are you there, yesterday I'm sorry, yesterday where are you, yesterday are you there & you turn to answer my call.

But your eyes,oh your eyes are full of coffins,the stale of funeral trumpets fall from your lips,& I run & I turn & I run away to question time but he reoplies 'Too late' your both dead.

Children in fear, always living inside, who come out to play only to hide, their tears are helpless as they fall from the eye, they hit the ground running while trying to fly. The madness becomes casual at its very best, the mind becomes stronger with every test, at last, they smile, they even joke, the challenge to be human at every stroke, paranoia becomes fear & then the sensitive become a tear, just be who you are & leave it alone, let them have there's leave that shit alone, that shit of mine be quiet ego be still, learn to accept, learn to be real, to become fully conscious, to be fully aware, always loving becomes always fair, to touch, to feel the side to side, the oneness of you & everything around, negative comes & negative goes, everything changes as the consciousness flows always learning, always teaching, always caring always reaching, stick to your path when the going get rough, never quitting is never enough. The subtle places inside the subtle mind, the courage to loose and then the courage to find, the eagle flying high, with the peaceful dove, always us living, living love.

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