

# Is That All There Is?

**Bette Midler**

I remember when I was a very little girl, our house caught on fire  
I'll never forget the look on my father's face  
As he gathered me up in his arms

And raced through the burning building out to the pavement I stood there shivering in my pajamas

And watched the whole world go up in flames

And when it was all over I said to myself  
Is that all there is to a fire? Is that all there is?

Is that all there is?

If that's all there is, my friends

Then let's keep dancing

Let's break out the booze and have a ball

If that's all there is And when I was 12 years old, my father took me to the circus  
The greatest show on earth

There were clowns and elephants and dancing bears

And a beautiful lady in pink tights flew high above our heads And as I sat there watching the marvelous spectacle

I had the feeling that something was missing

I don't know what, but when it was over I said to myself  
Is that all there is to a circus? Is that all there is?

Is that all there is?

If that's all there is, my friends

Then let's keep dancing

Let's break out the booze and have a ball

If that's all there is Then I fell in love, head over heels

And love with the most wonderful boy in the world

We would take long walks by the river

Or just sit for hours gazing, gazing into each other's eyes

We were so very much in love Then one day, he went away

And I thought I'd die, but I didn't

And when I didn't, I said to myself

Is that all there is to love? Is that all there is?

Is that all there is?

If that's all there is, my friends

Then let's keep dancing I know what you must be saying to yourselves

If that's the way she feels about it

Why doesn't she just end it all? Oh, no, not me

I'm in no hurry for that final disappointment For I know just as well as I'm standing here talking to you

When that final moment comes

And I'm breathing my last breath

I'll be saying to myself Is that all there is?

Is that all there is?  
If that's all there is, my friends  
Then let's keep dancing  
Let's break out the booze and have a ball  
If that's all there is

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