

# Back Then

## Citizen Cope

Before the laws and the social orders  
Before the calls of our lieutenants arrived  
    Before the rise of pop culture  
    Before the guards at the borders  
        Before the expectations  
        Led to last frustrations  
Before the path to salvation was clouded  
    By the deep depths of temptation  
        Back then  
            It was alright to pretend  
            But all we really have is within  
            And we disguised expected  
                Back then  
                    Love had a place to stay  
                    It wasn't getting turned away  
            It took my whole life just to realize  
            This has to make a way to back then  
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Well holy sons, holy daughters, holy sisters, holy brothers  
    Holy skies, holy waters  
    For those who came before us  
But on the way to work come before us  
    Before the expectations  
    Led to last frustrations  
Before the path to salvation was clouded  
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