

Ruins

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It's so quiet in the ruins
Walking though the old town
Stones crumbling under my feet
I see smoke for miles around Oh, it's enough to make you weep
All that remains of the main street
Up in the park on Sunday
Dogs chasing and the children played Old man with his head down
Can't see nothing more around, no
But he remembers how it used to be
Back in the old days So nice to see you coming
Back in this town again
It's nice to see a friendly face
Come peeping through Having tea In the afternoon, now
So nice to see you coming
Back in this town again Ah, but it's all changed
Winter turned on a man
Came down on day
When no one was looking
And it stole away the land People running scared, losing hands
Dodging shadows of falling sand
Buildings standing like empty shells
And nobody, helping no one else Young child with his hands high
Ain't able to see no reason why, no
But he remembers how it used to be So nice to see you coming
Back in this town again
It's nice to see a friendly face
Come peeping through You'd better know
What you're going through now
You came back here to find
Your home is a black horizon
That you don't recognize Evil destruction has taken everything
You'd better walk on the side
While you're still walking
Just keep on walking on
Down the street keep your distance
From the people you meet, oh, Lord And you'd better watch your eyes
'Cause if smoke gets in them
Baby, you won't rise again
So nice to see you coming

Back in this town againWhere's it leading to
Freedom at what cost
People needing more and more
And it's all getting lostI want back, I want back
Back to the time
When the earth was green
And there was no high walls
And the sea was clean
Don't stop that sun to shine
It's not yours or mine, no

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