My Back Pages

The Byrds

Crimson flames tied through my years
Rollin' high and mighty trapped
Countless violent flaming roads
Using ideas as my map
"We'll meet on edges soon," said I

Proud 'neath heated browAhh, but I was so much older then I'm younger than that nowHalf wracked prejudice leaped forth

"Rip down all hate," I screamed Lies that life is black and white Spoke from my skull, I dreamed Romantic flanks of musketeers

Foundation deep, somehowAhh, but I was so much older then I'm younger than that nowIn a soldier's stance, I aimed my hand

At the mongrel dogs who teach
Fearing not I'd become my enemy
In the instant that I preach
Sisters fled by confusion boats

Mutiny from stern to bowAhh, but I was so much older then I'm younger than that nowAhh, but I was so much older then I'm younger than that nowMy guard stood hard when abstract threats

Too noble to neglect
Deceived me into thinking
I had something to protect
Good and bad, I define these terms
Quite clear, no doubt, somehowAhh, but I was so much older then
I'm younger than that now

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