Born at the Right Time (Live)

Paul Simon

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A baby boy was found
His eyes as clear as centuries
His silky hair was brown

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Never had to scuffle in fear
Nothing denied to
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The church bells chime
And the whole world whispering
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Me and my buddies we are traveling people
We like to go down to restaurant row
Spend those Euro-dollars
All the way from Washington to Tokyo
I see them in the airport lounge
Upon their mother's breast
They follow me with open eyes
Their uninvited guest

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Too many people on the bus from the airport
Too many holes in the crust of the earth
The planet groans
Every time it registers another birth

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