## **Age of Reptiles**

## **Showbread**

I am made of parts that freeze and ligaments that atrophy

Though they look they'll never see

They don't know somethings wrong with me

Just as well, I'll never tell what's underneath my scales

I've worn too thin to honor you, my every effort failsBury me with Israel and cover up my tracks

Leave not a trace of what I was, I'm never coming back

And if you're mercy falls upon he whose blood is cold

Unearth me with your hands of love and never break your holdThe world is full of ones like me

Who need to see the truth

But the truth is never truth indeed

The truth is only YouJesus bless the crocodiles, forgive the cobras and all the snakes

Open up Your arms to carry all of our mistakes

Suck the venom from every bite, vomit every drop

Some of us may bite Your hand but some of us will notAnd every knee will bow before You, each forked

tongue confess

My selfishness will rot in me and I will seek Your rest

Still some lizards flee from You, ashamed of all they've been

So Jesus take myself from me, never bring it back again The world is full of ones like me

Who need to see the truth

But the truth is never truth indeed

The truth is only YouThe world will soon become extinct

The age will pass away

And all will know that You are God

Hallowed be Your nameJesus bless the crocodiles, forgive the cobras and all the snakes

Open up Your arms to carry all of our mistakes

Forgive the basilisk, forgive the moccasins and adders too

Have mercy on each alligator that never lived for YouI myself hatched from an egg, no white light from above

Just another ancient serpent that never earned Your love

But still You find me underneath the rocks and in the ground

I cowered there just short of air and never made a soundIt's true that I'm in love with You and even in my shame

You wipe away the imperfections and take away the pain

You wrap Your loving arms around this wretched thing called me

Your love is all I'll ever need, your love has set me free The truth is only You

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The truth is only YouI walk the world on insect legs

Beneath an unforgiving sun

Eat the dirt throughout my days

On the dirt and dirt I come undoneMessiah born in Bethlehem

Won't find me lying there

The world's too big for Him To see me or hear the things I've saidHold me to You as I pray Take the rest of the world away My blood runs warm because of You The scales fall out of my eyesI laughed in the keep of a man with a rose My mandibles are caked in trash Thought You wouldn't recognize me In the black of soot and ashDon't turn a deaf ear to my voice 'Cos one thing I want You to know I have always loved You Though my life has never said so Hold me to You as I pray Take the rest of the world away My blood runs warm because of You The scales fall out of my eyesHold me to You as I pray Take every other thing away My heart is breaking out for You The scales are out of my eyesI love You Lord and I lift my voice To worship You, oh, my soul rejoice Take joy my King in what You hear

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