## Tai Shan

## Rush

High on the sacred mountain Up the seven thousand stairs In the golden light of autumn There was magic in the airClouds surrounded the summit The wind blew strong and cold Among the silent temples And the writings carved in goldSomewhere in my instincts The primitive took holdI stood at the top of the mountain And China sang to me In the peaceful haze of harvest time A song of eternityIf you raise your hands to heaven You will live a hundred years I stood there like a mystic Lost in the atmosphereThe clouds were suddenly parted For a moment I could see The patterns of the landscape Reaching to the eastern seal looked upon a presence Spanning forty centuries I stood at the top of the mountain And China sang to me In the peaceful haze of harvest time A song of eternityI thought of time and distance The hardships of history I heard the hope and the hunger When China sang to me When China sang to me

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