Playing to the Firmament

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Well, there are kids, lots of kids, who put the law inside a circle
As they jump, I hope that you will up and down, up and down
When did you cave into this role that you were cast in?
When did dress-up turn into fashion, throw your gown up and downThere's always the sky, let it hear what you're saying
For all that you are saying
And let it take you apart to the elements of praying
'Til we are only playing to the firmament
'Til we are only playing to the firmamentIn the rain, in the rain, people rush around on cold streets
Here's a shell to hear their heartbeats very loud, very loud
Where's the pain, it's only rain, it's only slowing down a work day
Only singing 'Happy Birthday' to a crowd, very loudSo turn on the sky, let it hear what you're saying
For all that you are saying
And let it take you apart to the elements of praying
'Til we are only playing to the firmament
'Til we are only playing to the firmamentAnd when did sex get so mean, when did crime get so clean?
You know I just can't seem to find the soul in this striving
Why not play to a dream 'cause the world is too green
For all this bad drivingWhat's the rush, dip your brush into this twilight
There are leaves upon the skylight, trace your hand, trace your hand
Oh, Mr. Ed, he shot ahead, he shot ahead inside a circle
On a bad day, who would you kill, take a stand, trace your handThere's always the sky, let it hear what you're saying
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