I Took A Walk

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I took a walk through the fields of America

I'll tell you what I saw in the middle of the garbage and erotica

I saw a man in pain crying to be free

Children in the rain, yelling out their glee

Well, singers on the plain, fused in harmonyHey, oh America, they want to love you

Please be true to thee

Oh America, they want to love you

Please be true to theePeople I have seen in the streets and communities

Running in a mortal fear of the violence and its companies

I saw a man in hand flying to the moon

Well, a rich man of the lands dying all too soon

I say people in the bands you really ought to learn this tuneHey, oh America, they want to love you

Please be true to thee

Oh America, they want to love you

Please be true to theeI took a walk through the fields of America

I'll tell you what I saw

I saw a murder in a place called Attica

I saw a man called power

Who said you've got to fit my visionI saw a man called law

Said if you don't I'm going to put you in the prison

I saw a man called peace

Who was shaking with the laughter of derisionHey, oh America, they want to love you

Please be true to thee

Oh America, they're gonna to love you

Please be true to thee

Oh America, they're gonna to love you

Please be true to theeI took a walk through the fields of America

I'll tell you what I saw

I saw the blizzards and the tropics

I saw mountain streams running free and clear, LordCreatures of my dreams so beautiful I shed my tears

You great and wondrous land

I wonder why you cannot hear me nowHey, oh America, they want to love you

Please be true to thee

Oh America, they want to love you

Please be true to theeOh America, they want to love you

Please be true to thee

Oh America, America, America, America, America

America, America, America, America

America, America, America, America

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