

Defend Atlantis

Flobots

That was as far as the tide came in
I remember the starfish and the wails of the sirens then
We replaced the tridents, embraced Poseidon
Discovered ourselves living on an island
We flow like water 'cross the lost city
Chalk prophecies and washed off graffiti
In continents, trade off for payoff
And high concepts then lost to K-Os
Many tales radiate from one nexus
Defending a dream of a new directive
A call from the deep sums up a notion
The day when the people bum-rushed the ocean
From the beaches they
Ran to meet the day after
Underneath, the waves
Won't repeat the same chapter
Knew what they had to do
That which creates life
Has power to take it right back
Fucking with the icecaps
We gotta push the tide back
We can survive, collapse if we don't get sidetracked
If we visualize living underwater hidden by prisms
Countries fall but people transition
If one for all, we live in that vision
Hundred dollar bill Origami
Balloon inflation, new world economy
We float on tsunami to global warming
We need structures to control what's coming
Corporate monopolies obsolete
The philosophy leaves us lost at sea
But from Marwar to Cochabamba
We are the warriors that won't get conquered
'Cause rising tides drown all villages
Divided fighters succumb to pillage
Rescuers whatever your latitude
It's time to pioneer a new world attitude
Put local cycles first we're Global
Islanders with nothing left to plunder

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For centuries
Human beings have pursued the meaning of Atlantis
Central to their teaching is that it's existence
Answers man's essential questions
Much like the feeding of the five thousand
Even if the facts aren't accurate, the story's magic is alive
Of utmost importance to convert the impertinent
Atlantis holds the answer to man's ills at their most pertinent
Aspersions easily dispersed when I certainly answer
The most diverse aversions when I firstly channel
Is this all that you hold for a warrior's role?
The ground shakes, you claim my country, not my soul
I fought, I toiled for the lost in the waves
And I will not tire, I'll die no slave
If the sea's my grave
I sleep with my city, my people, my oath, my shame, my city
Is that I cannot save my city from the waves that claim you
And curse the Gods who can't explain who to blame
At the end of the reign, heed me
The season passes Atlas, his keep's in the sediment
Failing monumentally and leaving no monuments to see
Only sea to shining sea
And survival hinged on the ascent by the humble
And the sirens wailed as the empire crumbled
With nothing to plunder, corporations drowned
Waves clapped like thunder and stormed the gates with sound
Forming a new nation now
As the icecaps melted water levels rose
We raised our hands together and made the levees hold
Heels in the sand, we revealed the depths below
The population of starfish exploded from the ocean
Survival, we unified to focus on
And the voices were many but we spoke as one
As the tale was retold, we multiplied
And swelled across the fault lines to halt the tide
We let the altars die to keep our pulse alive
And from the barren wastelands of naked trash
We stitched together, a shelter from fallen nation's flags
And chose to build a future from an ancient past
The crowns of thorns was worn, we put the Tritons down

We found new forms of anchors deep inside the ground
The world is an island now
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