

# Past Is Dead

## Bad Religion

Solemn regret, transgressions fill my head  
A measure of success is how well to forget  
And the past is dead  
Strewn about the battlefield of life are the remainders of history  
When convenient we exalt them and pay them such respect  
As if we're all in an equivalent trajectory  
And trash piles high in the rubble we forgot  
The angels of our nature just sit and watch it rot  
Now, the past is dead  
Let's focus on tomorrow instead  
Oh the tragic present said  
The past is dead

Who can say what constitutes the most important sector of society?  
The dominant portion seek an instant gratification  
And are proud of intellectual poverty  
I'd like to be empathetic but I can't  
The jeopardy is too great to make a stand  
Now the past is dead  
Good deeds won't help you get ahead  
The modern signpost read the past is dead  
My next great decision is just lying in wait  
The action might turn out to be the world's most grievous mistake  
The past is dead  
More veritable words have never been said  
The tragic present said the past is dead

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