

Oxygen

Willy Mason

I wanna be better than oxygen so you can breathe
When you're drowning and weak in the knees
I wanna speak louder than Ritalin for all the children
Who think that they've got a disease
I wanna be cooler than TV for all the kids that
Are wondering what they are goin' to be
We can be stronger than bombs if you're singin' along
And you know that you really believe
We can be richer than industry as long as we know
That there's things that we don't really need
We can speak louder than ignorance
'Cause we speak in silence every time our eyes meet
On and on and on it goes
The world it just keeps spinning
Until I'm dizzy, time to breathe
So close my eyes and start again anew
I wanna see through all the lies of society
To the reality, happiness is at stake
I wanna hold up my head with dignity
Proud of a life where to give means more than to take
I want to live beyond the modern mentality
Where paper is all that you're really taught to create
Do you remember the forgotten America
Justice, equality, freedom to every race
Just need to get past all the lies and hypocrisy
Make-up and hair to the truth behind every face
That look around to all the people you see
How many of them are happy and free?
I know it sounds like a dream but it's
The only thing that can get me to sleep at night
I know it's hard to believe but it's easy
To see that something here isn't right
I know the future looks dark but it's
There that the kids of today must carry the light
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The world it just keeps spinning
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So close my eyes and start again anew
If I'm afraid to catch a dream, I weave your baskets
And I'll float them down the river stream
Each one I weave with words I speak
To carry love to your relief
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