

The Levee's Gonna Break

Bob Dylan

If it keep on raining, the levee's gonna break
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Everybody saying this is a day only the Lord could make

Well, I worked on the levee, mama, both night and day
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I got to the river and I threw my clothes away

I paid my time and now I'm good as new,
I paid my time and now I'm as good as new.
They can't take me back unless I want them to

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Some of these people gonna strip you of all they can take

I can't stop here I ain't ready to unload
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Riches and salvation can be waiting behind the next bend in the road

I picked you up from the gutter and this is the thanks I get
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You say you want me to quit you, I told you, 'No, not just yet.'

Well, I look in your eyes, I see nobody other than me
I look in your eyes, I see nobody other than me
I see all that I am and all I hope to be

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Some of these people don't know which road to take

When I'm with you, I forget I was ever blue
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Without you there's no meaning in anything I do

Some people on the road carrying everything that they own
Some people on the road carrying everything they own
Some people got barely enough skin to cover their bones

Put on your cat clothes, mama, put on your evening dress
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Few more years of hard work, then there'll be a 1,000 years of happiness

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I tried to get you to love me, but I won't repeat that mistake

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Plenty of cheap stuff out there and still around that you take

I woke up this morning, butter and eggs in my bed
I woke up this morning, butter and eggs in my bed
I ain't got enough room to even raise my head.

Come back, baby, say we never more will part

Come back, baby, say we never more will part
Don't be a stranger with no brain or heart

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