

Socialized Hate

Atrophy

Throughout our troubled history
man's exploited fellow man.
Displaying xenophobic fear that's hard to understand
Centuries ago in Europe things were different than today
Foreigners were treated with respect not disdain
But dreams of power soon crushed this fine ideal
They set across the ocean in search of land to steal
They subjugated natives and they stripped them of their rights
Sold them into slavery to demonstrate their might.

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All you pseudo-christians had yet to have your fun
You called them all subhuman
justifying what you'd done
You sold them into slavery, every last one that you could
I guess that's only natural when you say it's in their blood
Soon the racist theory spread to every colony

The crimes that you committed were for everyone to see
Depleted all their hunting grounds and chopped down hallowed woods
Set your plantations on the land
where they once stood

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The hatred that you planted is still with us today
No longer simply slavery manifests in different ways
Keeps people in dead end jobs, reduces education
Maintain our racial stereotypes, encourages segregation
You propagate injustice saying they've done it to themselves
You lock them in your ghettos,
Deny them any wealth
The dogma you've created makes sure you never see
That underneath a different color
they're just like you and me
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