

## The Ascent of Stan

Ben Folds

Pangs of silence  
From the room upstairs  
How's the view there?  
Do you read what they're saying about you?  
That you're no fun  
Since the war was won  
In fact, you have become all of the things you've always run away from

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So where'd the years go?  
All the time we had?  
Being poor was not such a drag in hindsight  
And you wonder why your father was so resigned  
Now you don't wonder any more

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Stan: Once you wanted revolution  
Stan: Now you're the institution  
Stan: How's it feel to be the man?  
It's no fun to be the man

And now, watch it all go down

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It's no fun to be the man