

# The Big Picture

## Bright Eyes

The picture is far too big to look at kid  
Your eyes won't open wide enough  
And you are constantly surrounded  
By the swirling stream of what is and what was

Well, we all made our predictions  
But the truth still isn't out  
But if you wanna see the future  
Go stare into a cloud

And keep trying to find your way out  
Of that maze of memories  
It all sort of looks familiar  
Until you get up close and then it's different clearly

But each time you turn a corner  
You are, you are right back where you were  
And your only hope is that forgetting  
Might make a door appear

Well, is it your fear of being buried  
That makes you so afraid to speak?  
An avalanche of opinions  
Like the one that fell, that I am now underneath

It was my voice that moved the first rock  
And I would do it all over again  
So, I mean it's cool if you keep quiet  
But I like singing, yeah

So I'll be holding my note and stomping  
And strumming and feeling so very lucky  
There is nothing I know except this lifetime  
Is one moment and wishing will just leave me empty

So you can try and live in darkness  
But you will never shake the light  
It will greet you every morning  
And it'll make you more aware with its absence at night

When you are wrapped up in your blankets, baby  
That comfortable cocoon  
But I have seen the day of your awakening, boy  
And it's coming soon

So go ahead and lose yourself in liquor  
And you can praise the clouded mind  
But it isn't what you are thinking, no  
It's the course of history, your position in line

You are just a piece of the puzzle  
So I think you better find your place  
And don't go blamin' your knowledge  
On some fruit you ate

'Cause there's been a great deal of discussion  
Yes, about the properties of man

Animal or angel? You were carved from bone  
But your heart it's just sand

And the wind is going to scatter it  
And cover everything with love  
So if it makes you happy then  
Keep kneeling, Mama, but I am standing up

Because this veil, it has been lifted, yes  
My eyes are wet with clarity  
I have been a witness to such wonders  
Oh, I have searched for them all across this country

But I think I'll be returning now  
To the town where I was born  
And I understand you must keep movin' friend  
But I am headed home

Yeah, I'm gonna follow the road  
And let the scenery sweeping by easily enter my body  
And I'll send you all this message in code  
Underground, over mountains, through forests and deserts and cities

Ah, ah, ah, all across electric wires, and baited line, ya  
The hook's in deep boys, there is no more time  
So you can struggle in the water, be too stubborn to die  
Or you could just let go and be lifted to the sky, ah, ah, ah