I once met a man who trained himself not to dream

What he seems to have seen was a glimpse of everything
He's been painting pictures on canvas since age thirteen
And claims he only exists in the mind of a higher being
And I enjoy his work; mostly scenic landscapes
But each one is focused on an easel where the man paints himself painting hi
mself

And all that's in his visual field

He said this was the only way he could make himself real

Ever since he could remember, he had one nightmare reoccur

But until about ten years ago, it didn't matter

It consisted of loud, distorted sounds echoing off the concrete

He ran on top of it in attempt to reach a ladder

Now sometimes, he'd get so close but never touch his destination

Which caused him much frustration 'cause he didn't know what it meant

And by the end of the dream, he saw the scene from a bird's eye

Only to witness his dead body laying on the cement

It was only to witness his dead body laying on the cement
At first it freaked him out, but after a while he grew content
So he thought, "It's just a dream," and kept living his life
Writing his soul on the canvas 'cause it sheds his planet light
And it goes on and on like space and time, ain't nothing odd
It's not that he didn't believe, he just didn't approve of God
His experience was one I couldn't comprehend
'Till I stopped being detective and listened to him as a friend
He said

[Chorus]

He once saw a painting that told his whole life story
It was then that he knew he was the art of divinity
He once saw a painting that told his whole life story
A brush stroke of the gods made him one note in their symphony
He once saw a painting that told his whole life story
He spoke for himself and not the rest of humanity
He once saw a painting that told his whole life story
And I realize that I'm not real
God just imagined me

It's like I said

About ten years ago, the event that changed his whole reality Took place on his monthly trip to the local art gallery It was there where he studied his contemporaries And there where he nearly carried his sanity to a hole and buried it forever It was a very mysterious day The place was almost empty And he got chills down his spine just being present in the scene On the wall, there was a picture that looked familiar And when he got close, his heart stopped Cause he saw it was a painting of his dream It was a painting of his dream His body on a runway By a ladder to an airplane with it's propellers spinning Which accounted for the loud noise The match up was perfect And that was the day he stopped believing in existing He resented his creator

I mean, words can't explain

What must have went on in his brain while he stared into a frame Of a work of art which he created and was at the same time

The mind can't handle that much, it's just insane

It's like reading a book where each words describe your thoughts And in quotations, it reads whatever you say when you talk You think it can't happen

But it did happen

I guess there's surprisingly wide cracks in each life's sidewalk He stumbled upon an answer when he never had a question

And decided to stop dreaming to maintain his mental health

Now he hardly talks to people Just stays in his basement

Writing infinity, by painting himself

Painting himself

This is a strange universe

Is it all just a blueprint?

In the real universe, is my consciousness useless?

Are we really something a higher intelligence made up?

A figment of imagination colored by a cosmic paintbrush?

Maybe all of our art creates the fate of other beings

Then every character in ever novel thinks it's alive and were just gods

Ruling blindly Just a theory

I don't know what it means

But that's the story of the man who trained himself not to dream

[Chorus]

He once saw a paining that told his whole life story

He witnessed the paradox of the word "existing"

He once saw a painting that told his whole life story

He colored his world theirs, and concluded he wasn't living

He once saw a painting that told his whole life story

The hidden variable that all that is is art

And when I close my eyes, I see eternity as a story

A God imagined the God that imagined me

And I am God

And so on