

# The Coming

Jesca Hoop

Jesus turned in his crown of thorns today  
And announced to the earth and the heavens  
The end of his reign  
He took a seat next to the Devil and said:  
"I need a new name"  
And the coming never came

My own love, I fervently served him and obeyed  
And I walked through this world full of sinners  
And I kept them at bay  
Cause there's only enough room at his table  
For the souls that are saved  
And they're coming to shut the gate  
You're too little and too late  
And you can't get in on that name  
But I don't buy it

I refuse to think that my best friend's going to have anymore  
And condescend to offer her, a key to her salvation  
Like it's something I have and can afford  
And I won't blame my parents for clinging to the good  
And it hurts that it makes sense of it all  
And believing in a story like it was the Bible  
When it was just a tale made tall

Hey ya  
Hey  
Hey ya

Now I wake up to the most spirit-rattling scare  
As I'm losing my religion layer by layer  
Cause it's triggering all of the trips  
And the traps and the snares  
It's that old device called fear  
That old device called fear

And now it's the long ride through the unknown which I embrace  
And the cops and the robbers and the cowboys and the injuns  
Have got the same face  
We're just each of us doing our best to get by day by day  
And Heaven is yours to take and the choices day by day  
Bring us closer and further way

I understood the risk That asking any kind of question  
Could unravel me with one small fray  
But I looked in my closet filled with ignorance and taunters  
And a fear that was turning to hate  
But that is not the meaning or intention of the teaching  
Or the truth from which the message came  
And I can't turn a blind eye to centuries of conflict  
And wrongdoing in his name

In his name  
In his name

Hey ya  
Hey ya

Jesus turned in his crown of thorns today  
And announced to the earth and the heavens  
The end of his reign  
He took a seat next to the Devil and said:  
"I need a new name"  
And the coming never came