

# These Are Not My People

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First your mama and your papa sent you to the finest school.

Never let it be said that their little darlin' was a fool.

So with a credit card in your good name  
You were drawn like a moth to a flame  
to the people of the night  
Where you more or less lost your cool.

Well, you had 20/20 vision and still you were walkin' 'round blind.

Yes, and whether right or wrong, I'd still tag along behind.

But you're flyin' too high for  
And if this is how it's got to be  
Then it's time to say you go your way  
And I'll go mine.

It's been a gas.

But I'm gonna have to pass.

These are not people.

No. These are not my people.

And it looks like the end, my friend.

Gotta get in the wind, my friend.

You found yourself naked in the world with no place to hide.

Then you felt the pulse of your god, and he had died.

And all your rebels that have got no cause

And all your tigers that have got no claws

They promised you the world on a string, but you know they lied.

Well, you said you'd be back in a black Cadillac limousine.

But I'm inclined to think it's not the kind you mean.

Cause when you fall down from off your cloud

And you're just another face in the crowd

They're gonna throw you away like last week's magazines.

Party pals and sociable gals.

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