Forgiveness

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We are swimming with the snakes At the bottom of the well So silent and peaceful in the darkness where we fell But we are not snakes and what's more We never will be And if we stay swimming here forever we will Never be free

I heard them ringing the bells In heaven and hell They got a secret They're getting ready to tell It's falling from the sky Calling from the graves Open your eyes, boy, I think we are saved Open your eyes, boy, I think we are saved Let's take a walk on the bridge Right over this mess Don't need to tell me a thing, baby We've already confessed And I raised my voice to the air And we were blessed Everybody needs a little forgiveness Everybody needs a little forgiveness

We are calling for him tonight on this Thin phone line As usual we're having ourselves one hell of a time And the planes keep flying right over our heads No matter how lond we shout "Hey, hey, hey !" And we keep waving and waving Our arms in the air But we're all tired out

I heard somebody say Today's the day A big old hurricaine Is blowing our way Knocking over the buildings Killing all the light Open your eyes, boy, we made it through the night Open your eyes, boy, we made it through the night Let's take a walk on the bridge Right over this mess Don't need to tell me a thing, baby We've already confessed And I raised my voice to the air And we were blessed Everybody needs a little forgiveness Everybody needs a little forgiveness