

Ye Sleeping Knights Of Jesus

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I have seen the sleeping knights of Jesus
gazing out across the open sea
I have seen the sleeping knights of Jesus
and they look extremely tired to me

Dying of starvation in the gutter
that is all the future holds for me
or alcoholic poisoning in the toilet of my choice
that's all there is as far as I can see

Fried to death in seconds by the Russians
or if you're lucky just a sudden stroke
a lingering death from fallout as your teeth and hair fall out
a certain death from cancer if you smoke

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Put your faith in God, he won't expect you
put your faith in death because it's free
if you believe in nothing, honey, it believes in you
for God's sake don't waste any faith on me

When he comes to judge us in his glory
then we'll see how old a man can get
He must be feeling ancient up there on the rim of space
two thousand years and he ain't been back yet

But I have seen the sleeping knights of Jesus
rub their eyes and gape at what they see
I have seen the sleeping knights of Jesus
and it looks as though they've noticed me
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