

Selling the News

Switchfoot

Welcome to the holy city a silver screen
Built with the lens and a low self esteem
A teenagers plea for meaning and means
Were selling the news
See opinions are easier to swallow than facts
The grays instead of the whites and the blacks
If you shoot it too straight they wont come back
Were selling the news
See money speaks volumes louder than words
And virtues with wings maybe not quite at first
But their salaries are paying for the ad not the verbs
Were selling the news
See all men are equal all is for sale
A powerful dog has been chasing his tail
The lowest common denominator prevails
Were selling the news

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I want to believe but everything is in between
The fact is fiction
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The fact is fiction
Suspicion is a new religion

America listens the story is told
Of our aim on truth the story unfolds
The ratings determine the story was sold
Were selling the news
Begging the question longer in fear
Stroking the eyes and tickling ears
It's seldom just as it appears
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I can see your talking heads
On the television set
On the internet they said
That fact is fiction
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Substance oh substance where have you been
You've been replaced by the masters of spin
who make good looking books and write history in
Were selling the news
The lines start to blur I get so confused
I get shiny new models mixed up with the blues
I get binary code mixed up with abuse

The facts are simply one option to choose
When nothing is sacred there's nothing to lose
When nothing is sacred all is consumed
Were still on the air it must be the truth
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