This Routine

The Broadways

I've seen a thousand thoughtless faces today A thousand I saw yesterday It's our ignorance that keeps us up to pace It's our tvs that keep us smiling And all the world's money won't buy you freedom, Diamond rings don't save lives How can a man ever be free I know it's inside you and me sat outside on broken steps The other day a man came up to say hello He sang me songs that he heard on the radio But said that writing was his passion, gave him the change I had wished him good luck Maybe he'll be fine but he just buys wine He's been alone since age sixteen How can we push him out of our memories? Half the world is sleeping now in front of tvs And the other half is crying to the night sky Is this why we were born? To wash our emperor's feet? Or are we just puppets living lies I had a dream I tried to talk to mother earth last night But she just sat and cried, yeah she fucking cried Can someone save us from our pain? She replied "save yourself" so let's learn to be free Let's quit our jobs and find some meaning Let's pour out in the streets And yell and sing because without love this life don't mean a t hing I say fuck this routine