

# Temporary Sanity

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I had such great expectations  
Of the world's benevolence  
Of benevolence  
But I prefer hallucinations  
'cause they tend to make more sense  
Than experience

'cause it was just another sneak attack  
Of temporary sanity  
It was a pleasant stay, but now I'm back  
From temporary sanity  
My temporary sanity

I began to grow dependent  
On a thing called "common sense"  
It was common sense  
But my world grew so resplendent  
That the strain was too intense  
Without self-defense

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The pool spreads across the pavement  
Where the sniper made him lie  
And he looks just like my youngest  
And I'm watching him die  
I must remind myself I've seen this  
It's all ancient history  
One long trail of twisted bodies  
As the strong crush the weak

We must be crazy  
We are crazy  
This is our natural state  
As our children die around us  
We just sit here and wait  
For a little temporary sanity  
Some temporary sanity

There's a chance that we would still get the picture  
If reality just came up and bit ya  
But the news team would never report it  
Because there's too much evidence to support it  
If we were stupider, the problem would vanish  
But our brains are much more than we can manage  
We say we want something so bad we can taste it  
But once we get it, then we turn 'round and waste it  
We got a twisted fixation with marketplace  
And every suffering soul is just another face  
We think we're being manipulated from outer space  
It's the collective guilty conscience of the human race  
We get joyful when we look upon a lesser man  
A specimen that we can be sure that we are better than

There is no shortage of supply of pride and vanity  
There is no other explanation but insanity

You're listening to prozac  
While the message goes unheard  
It's the final word

We must be crazy  
We must be crazy  
There's no explanation  
So we must be crazy