

## Age of Reptiles

Showbread

I am made of parts that freeze and ligaments that atrophy  
Though they look they'll never see  
They don't know something's wrong with me  
And just as well, I'll never tell what's underneath the scales  
I've worn to thin to honor you, my every effort fails  
Bury me with Israel and cover up my tracks  
Leave not a trace of what I was, I'm never coming back  
And if you're mercy falls upon he whose blood is cold  
Unearth me with your hands of love and never break your hold

The world is full of ones like me  
Who need to see the truth  
But the truth is never truth indeed  
The truth is only you

Jesus bless the crocodiles, forgive the cobras and all the snakes  
Open up your arms to carry all of our mistakes  
Suck the venom from every bite and vomit every drop  
Some of us may bite your hand but some of us will not  
And every knee will bow before you, each forked tongue confess  
My selfishness will rot in me and I will seek your rest  
Still some lizards flee from you, ashamed of all they've been  
So Jesus take myself from me, never bring it back again

The world is full of ones like me, who need to see the truth  
But the truth is never truth indeed, the truth is only you  
The world will soon become extinct, the age will pass away  
And all will know that you are God, hallowed be your name

Jesus bless the crocodiles, forgive the cobras and all the snakes  
Open up your arms to carry all of our mistakes  
Forgive the basilisk, forgive the moccasins and adders too  
Have mercy on each alligator that never lived for you  
I myself hatched from an egg, no white light from above  
Just another ancient serpent that never earned your love  
But still you find me underneath the rocks and in the ground  
I cowered there just short of air and never made a sound  
It's true that I'm in love with you, and even in my shame  
You wipe away the imperfections and take away the pain  
You wrap your loving arms around this wretched thing called me  
Your love is all I'll ever need, your love has set me free

The truth is only you.

I walk the world on insect legs beneath an unforgiving sun  
Eat the dirt throughout my days On the dirt and dirt I come undone  
Messiah born in Bethlehem won't find me lying there  
The world's too big for him to see me or hear the things I've said  
Hold me to you as I pray, Take the rest of the world away  
My blood runs warm because of you, The scales fall out of my eyes  
I laughed in the keep of a man with a rose my mandibles are caked in trash  
Thought you wouldn't recognize me, in the black of soot and ash  
Don't turn deaf into my voice, but one thing I want you to know:  
I have always loved you though my life has never said so  
Hold me to you as I pray, Take the rest of the world away  
My blood runs warm because of you, The scales fall out of my eyes  
Hold me to you as I pray, Take every other thing away

My heart is breaking out for you, The scales are out of my eyes

I love you Lord, and I lift my voice  
To worship you, Oh, my soul rejoice  
Take joy my King in what you hear  
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear