

# Earth

## Sufjan Stevens

Innocence was never lost  
Though it may have been insulted  
Even if the Earth forgot  
Her inheritance resulted  
In contradiction, ceremony  
Benediction, hallelujah

There are no more accidents  
Living things refuse to offer  
Explanations of their worth  
We in turn avenge the Author  
With paranoia and prediction  
Exploration, competition  
Ceremony, inner anguish  
Consequences, hallelujah

Oh, hallelujah  
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