

King Tide and the Sunny Day Flood

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Wouldn't it be wonderful
If we could save the world and all
Simply by collecting up
Tin cans and empty bottles
We all want to believe it's true
But it don't matter what you do
So long as we continue to
Burn our way through fossils

Now it should come as no surprise
To learn about the ocean's rise
The polar caps are melting
With every year that the planet warms
Now people have to understand
We're going to feel it far inland
It's going to shift the seasons
And super-charge the storms

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Bringing flooding on a sunny day
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Can't you hear the melt waters running?
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Going to sweep everything away

And you know
The oceans they connect us all
No one can just build a wall
We have to work together
We can't do this on our own
To think that you can stand aside
Is nothing more than foolish pride
'Cause everyone's a libertarian
Until the brown water floods their home

Now you may live on higher ground
Feeling like you're safe and sound
Thinking as you look around
This is your lucky day
But everyone beneath the sky
Soon be looking for somewhere high and dry
And nothing you can ever do
Will keep them all at bay

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And we have to act today