

Not Everything That Counts can be Counted

Billy Bragg

Be nice if we could have our cake and eat it
Though that's impossible to do
But too many have invested in this outcome
They simply can't afford for it not to come true
We ceded too much power to the market
Let it decide what's right or wrong
Now everyone seems willing to lend credence
And truth is so devalued, it's going for a song

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People have had enough of experts
And their inconvenient facts
Here's what the media really won't tell ya
Exactly who it is that's taking control back
All opinions are equal
In the free market of ideas
And truth is nothing more than an opinion
That's the garnered the most likes, provoked the loudest cheers

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There isn't really any room for dreamers
If you have principles that's nice
The market isn't interested in values
Except for those it can define as price
All bow to the power of the market
Till it throws up a different face
If you're not white or male or compliant
The system is designed to keep you in your place

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