And so the artist screams into an empty cup He says that you're a soulless bunch, but you could still wake up

And the capitalist says he's born to be free He says, "You're poor, my friends. But you don't have to be!"

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And what we had, we already forgot it
The race is evidently to the bottom
We don't, we don't know what to say
I don't know what to say

And so the thumpers preach both love and hate
They say, "You're naughty filth, but you could still be saved!"
And the people wait for the bell to ring
They say, "We need a song. We need a song to sing!"

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Don't know what it was but we want it back Like every generation will repeat the last Put a halo on a figurehead or photograph Resist a little bit, and then become the man Dreaming of a simpler time, it occurs to me That the past is hypothetical fantasy And nostalgia just ain't what it used to be

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