How Fortunate the Man With None

Dead Can Dance

You saw sagacious Solomon You know what came of him To him complexities seemed plain He cursed the hour that gave birth to him And saw that everything was vain How great and wise was Solomon The world however didn't wait But soon observed what followed on It's wisdom that had brought him to this state How fortunate the man with none How fortunate the man with none

You saw courageous Caesar next You know what he became They deified him in his life Then had him murdered just the same And as they raised the fatal knife How loud he cried: you too, my son The world however didn't wait But soon observed what followed on It's courage that had brought him to that state How fortunate the man with none How fortunate the man with none

You heard of honest Socrates The man who never lied They weren't so grateful as you'd think Instead the rulers fixed to have him tried And handed him the poisoned drink How honest was the people's noble son The world however didn't wait But soon observed what followed on It's honesty that brought him to that state How fortunate the man with none

Here you can see respectable folk Keeping to God's own laws So far he hasn't taken heed You who sit safe and warm indoors Help to relieve our bitter need How virtuously we had begun The world however didn't wait But soon observed what followed on It's fear of God that brought us to that state How fortunate the man with none How fortunate the man with none