## **The Clouding**

**Iced Earth** 

As I awake I have no memory of this Who I am, where I'm from, why do I exist? This strange beauty surrounds me But where I am confounds me I see others who appear the same as me A look of loss in their eyes, adrift aimlessly What's the point? What does it all mean? Who am I? Show me a purpose please

Take this sense of wonder Make it go away Please tell me I am not alone and lost here That there is something that's made me feel this way Take this sense of sadness Make it go away Please give me something that's familiar A friendly touch, a memorable embrace

I try to speak but empty eyes stare back at me Twisted tongues segregate, factions are forming I'll stay with those that resemble me To survive this harsh reality As the days pass most have gone their own way Nomadic tribes discover life On a world that feels so strange But still I want answers What's the point? What does all this mean?

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Lies, the human core is lies We wiped their minds, cleaned the slate The Clouding did divide Fate, we sealed human fate Now they're ours throughout all time To manipulate

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Pain, mankind will know pain For their crimes on our kind They'll never be the same Death, they will know death Suffering for centuries At war with every breath Never trust in the motives of man They failed to evolve in Mother Nature's plan And though they seem safe In this early clouded state The nature of their heresy Has proven quite innate