

Be Serious

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I really envy Christians
I envy Muslims too
It must be great to be so sure
As I'm talking to a Jew;
He said pray to god for mercy
He said get down on your knees
He said ask him for forgiveness
He said when you do say please (do us a favour)

And I've got no one to turn to
When I'm sinking in the ship
I feel so sad and lonely
No one to tell me what to do
He said well I shouldn't grumble
We all have our ups and down
If you just ask him nicely
He'll iron out your frown (I said do us a favour)

And if I don't believe in will power (keep ya hair on)
Self expressions such a fraud
I mean how can I express myself
When there's no self to express
Be serious

Then he put a lid on it
Do us a favour
Do us a favour

I really envy Christians (do us a favour)
I envy Muslims too (do us a favour)
It must be great to be so sure (do us a favour)
Probably do want you (do us a favour)
Do us a favour
Do us a favour

When I've got no one to turn to (do us a favour)
When I'm sinking in the ship (do us a favour)
Feel so sad and lonely (do us a favour)
No one to tell me what to do (do us a favour)
Be serious (do us a favour)
Do us a favour
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And I don't believe in willpower (do us a favour)
Self expressions such a fraud (do us a favour)
How can I express myself (do us a favour)
When there's no self to express (do us a favour)
Be serious (do us a favour)
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Beeee serious (do us a favour)
Be serious (do us a favour)
Be serious (do us a favour)

...the dust... a building... the universe...
Do us a favour

Do us a favour
Leave it out