In Paris There's A Rumble Under The Ground

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In Paris there's a rumble under the ground It's the sound of the printing press And like a volcano when it blows It spews out ideas like confetti, like snow

Read all about it! Hold the front page! The street's a theatre Each café...

A stage!

But under every café awning There appears this papal warning

His Holiness the Pope, I fear Believes the Rights of Man to be a bad idea

The pope does not want the rights of Man

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He finds them too profane

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When a man bites the apple

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He gets a taste for liberty

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He gets... a taste of liberty

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The Pope declares that it's a sin

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So let us raid the apple tree Although the Pope does not agree He blesses us with sleight of hand He doesn't want the Rights of Man

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The Pope declares that it's... a sin
People are sharing the apples
The Pope says Bless You but it's still a sin

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The Pope gives his blessing with sleight of hand

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He doesn't want the

Rights... of Man

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But the Pop can change his mind like that
Like trying on a different hat
Turning on the stars above and politics and God and love
Turning like an apple that shrivels on the sand
And when the core is rotten
No one tastes the Rights of Man

You never taste the Rights of Man...

He does not want the Rights of Man
The Pope does not want the Rights of Man
He's made his stand
He washes his hands
The Pope does not... want the Rights of Man

Nothing but a prayer to hope for Nothing but a little wine to dream Nothing for this hunger but a handful of grain The horizon always the same

Rooted in this earth
Like our parents dead and gone
Like the trees which are our emblem
The horizon just goes on and on
We'll change it with a forest

The olive and the oak tree Will be our flags