

Divide & Conquer

Shovels & Rope

It was true what they said
About me and you how we were misled
I was so common, you were not bothered
We dressed it up
Divide and conquer

Town to town we went hard
Parked at the hotel, slept in our car
I'll tell a joke, you sway and saunter
We found a way...
Divide and conquer

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Just messing around with a stick of dumb luck
Dancing on the table just a-cutting it up
Singing in the living room and falling in love
Shut you out 'cause you wouldn't shut up
Cut me down till I couldn't get up
Laughing at the brevity of life on the run
Howling 'cause my dad will never meet my son
Conquer, divide and conquer
We went wading through the water
Lay it on the altar
Dressed for slaughter
Divide and conquer

All that time we spent together
What once could fly now just a fallen feather
Then the sickness came, then came the weather
Tossed and torn till we came untethered

What did we learn?
What did we reap?
We both took turns
Now the hills too steep
I'll take the boy
You take the daughter
It just made sense
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Tore a page right out of "Annie Get Your Gun"
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Can we go back?
To when we both could see?
How good it was?

How good it could be?
Just a nowhere boy
Holding hands with a songbird
Before we were blinded by time
Before we divided and conquered

Can you still see me? Or are we just a myth?
What once moved like water became a monolith
No longer free but somehow stronger
Come back to me... here is my armor

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