

Maralinga

Midnight Oil

I come from a land of wide open spaces
Where the world turns around us and we just follow suit
There's heat in the air and peace reigns supreme
Got white flags on the clothes lines and the deals are new
In the wind
The ashes fly
The poison crown
The charcoal ground
And if you can't see the smile in me
That's where I wanna be
There's only God
There's only Christ
Think I'll lie down
For just a while
And the grass became granite and the sky a black sheet
Our bed was a graveyard, we couldn't feel our blistered feet
And the moaning and groaning and sighing of death
And the silence that followed and the very harsh reality
So watch and check them out and listen
as we learn
Throw the pearls before the swine, ebb and flow, turning tide
Yes, we watch and catch them no matter how they jump
The pigs will have to come to ground, we've got to make it happen
It's really not that new, try
and make it happen now
'Cause what are we to do, maybe there's a chance for you
All around
An eerie sound
Their dreams a cloud
Their world in shrouds
In the wind
The ashes fly
Not much time
But time to try
And if you can't see the smile in me
That's 'cause I wanna be
I want to be here at the end
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