# LOS ANGELES

# **ALBUM LYRICS**

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# HARD DIRT

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### Verse 1

I'm looking for an open page – a younger age A wise old sage would say You're nothing but an open book – a sidelong look A sucker hook – easy lay

### Verse 2

I'm looking for an open line – a clearing sign A friend of mine would say You're nothing but an empty glass – a piece of ass A roll in the hay

#### Chorus

Can't dig my way under (hard dirt) – can't get beneath it (hard dirt) Can't dig my way under (hard dirt) – can't get beneath it (hard dirt) Can't dig my way under (hard dirt) – can't get beneath it (hard dirt) Can't dig my way under

### Verse 3

I'm looking for a public place – a faster pace This mental case would say You're nothing but what time allows – a mooing cow But take your bow anyway

### Verse 4

I'm looking for an Early Wynn – a touch of sin This musician would say You're nothing but a hollow log – a wheel – a cog Rolling away

# (Chorus)

# Tag

Can't get beneath it (Hard Dirt)

# **MY VEXATION**

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### Verse 1

They're rockin' at the Interlochen – public exhibitionism
Tell me what your problem is – we'll put it on the Cable Vision
Plug it in to satellite – let me know it's good tonight
Worldwide reverberation – what's the cause of my vexation
My vexation

### **Bridge**

Ow – ould ya ould ya wa wa Ow – oobie oobie da da Ow – imme imme ga ga Everybody ga ga – got to get their ya yas

### Verse 2

They're messin' up by dressin' up – the man you can't identify him Tell me if it's him or not – I sent a friend who went to find him Sittin' in the parking lot – proud about how far he'd got Give it some consideration – what's the source of my vexation My vexation

### (Bridge)

### Bridge 2

Who's that – who's that man California suntan – Polynesian headband Who's that – who's that man Flim flam Vincent Van Gogh – Go – Go Ga ga ga ga ga ga go

### Verse 3

They're making a mistake I'm not the man – they said they'd make me up They told me what to do – and now the truth is gonna shake them up But nothing's going to faze me – it's no good to try to haze me So here's a little information – about the cause of my vexation My vexation

### Tag

My vexation My vexation

# **GET EVEN WITH YOUR LOVE**

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# Verse 1

The odds are against us
But someday we're gonna get even
The odds are tremendous
But someway we're gonna get even

### Chorus

Get even with your love – get even with your love Get even with your love – get even with your love

### Verse 2

The earth that we cherish is fading Gonna go to pieces But nothing will perish worth saving 'Cept bits and pieces

# (Chorus)

# **Bridge**

Let go the scarecrow – and bring him down Let go the scarecrow – I'm freedom bound Let go the scarecrow – and bring him down Let go the scarecrow – I'm freedom bound

### (Chorus)

# Verse 3

Well you raved and you ranted and were hateful I know how you feel
But don't take it for granted – be grateful
You know how to feel

### (Chorus)

# (Bridge)

# Tag

I'm freedom bound Freedom Get even with – get even with – get even with your love

# LOS ANGELES

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# Verse 1

Los Angeles on the edge of the abyss Looking straight into the mouth Los Angeles if and when you reminisce Do you think about moving south

# **Bridge 1**

South California with your ocean breeze You can't see through the trees It's a hard working city With a whole lot of people to please

### Verse 2

Los Angeles is making out a list Of the men and women in doubt Los Angeles is a little masochistic When you've got to get hurt to get out

# (Verse 1)

# Bridge 2

Hey there girl with your long blond curls Skating through the neighborhood Going down to the bottom On the streets of Hollywood

# Tag(2x)

Going down to the bottom On the streets of Hollywood

# SHE'S NOT DISGUSTED

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# Verse 1

Sex schmex – a latency – a blatancy
Butter up – a cover up – a gravity – depravity
Doesn't suit the residential – better make it presidential
Assassinate – inaugurate – when the people masturbate
She's not disgusted – she's a statue

#### Verse 2

Scorch – torch – incinerate – annihilate
Burn and pillage every village – show your fist if they resist
Murder is incorporated – truth is discombobulated
Sell your soul at half the profit – when the people try to stop it
She's not disgusted – she's a statue

# **Bridge**

Liberty – there's an enema in enemy Free country – there's a demon in democracy

### **Instrumental**

She's not disgusted – she's a statue

# (Bridge)

### Tag

She's not disgusted – she's not disgusted She can't be trusted – she's not disgusted

# **HE'S SO TOUGH**

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### Verse 1

I doubt it — I doubt it
What are you going to do about it
I doubt it — I doubt it
He's so tough — tough — tough — tough — tough — tough (He's so tough — he's so tough — uh huh)

#### Verse 2

Punk rocker – punk rocker You're mother was a bobby soxer Punk rocker – punk rocker He's so – he's so tough

### Verse 3

Don't fight him – don't fight him Have a party and don't invite him Don't fight him – don't fight him He's so tough – he's so tough When he's hopped up in a huff Gonna can you on your fanny Gonna knock you on your duff

### **Bridge**

No one's gonna make a simp out of him No one's gonna make him cry No one's gonna scare the shit out of him Cause he's not afraid to die

(Verse 1)

(Verse 2)

(Verse 3)

(Bridge)

### Tag

He's so – he's so tough He's so – he's so tough He's – so tough

# **LOOKING FOR RELIGION**

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# Verse 1

In the desperate hours when it's winding down There's a look of sadness on the face of the town And a whole lot of people still running around Looking for religion

# Verse 2

Little piece of heaven – spot of hallowed ground Someone to hold who won't hold you down I met eight million people at the lost and found Looking for religion

#### Chorus

Oh, oh no – haven't you heard Love is the word Oh, oh no – haven't you heard Love is the word

### Verse 3

In my heart of hearts – in my soul of souls
Is the sweet taste of freedom that my mind controls
I read back through the pages as the story unfolds
Looking for religion

# (Chorus)

### Tag

Love is the word Love is the word

# SAFETY FIRST

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### Verse 1

When I think about the old love letters

When I think about the old love letters

When I think about the old love letters

Locked in peoples' drawers – wonder what we're heading towards

### Verse 2

When I think about the whole creation

When I think about the whole creation

When I think about the whole creation

I forget myself – put my feelings on the shelf

#### Chorus

Come away to the ocean – come away to the sea It's a clear true devotion – bring your love home safely Safety first

### **Bridge**

Got a good reason (safety first) – to take my chances (safety first) Got to secure my (safety first) – basic finances (Safety first)

### Verse 3

When I think about the politicians

When I think about the politicians

When I think about the politicians

I scare myself to death – maybe if I hold my breath

#### Verse 4

When I think about the new sensation

When I think about the new sensation

When I think about the new sensation

That's where I want to be – chopping down the cherry tree

# (Chorus)

# (Bridge)

# YOU'RE THE ONE THAT I LOVE

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### Verse 1

You're the one – I can look into the eyes of You're the one – I know the shoe size of You're the one – tell me when to wise up You're the one that I love

### Verse 2

You're the one – make me feel better You're the one – I write a lullaby letter You're the one – why don't you forget her You're the one that I love

# Bridge

I'm gonna rock you baby – early in the morning Tell you that I love ya – late in the evening Oh yeah – listen to me Oh yeah – comin' to you I'm gonna make it through Whoa oh oh

### Vocal Interlude

Oh oh oh oh oh (3x)

### Instrumental

(Bridge)

(Verse 1)

### Verse 3

You're the one I call when I'm lonely You're the one – after all the love you've shown me You're the one – you're still my one and only You're the one that I love

### Tag

You're the one that I love – (you're the one that I love) You're the one that I love – (you're the one that I love) You're the one – you're the one – you're the one You're the one that I love