

## **THE WRITING ON THE WALL**

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1. **Where can you shop for the truth ?  
Among your bargains in life's giant mall.  
Too few learn to discern  
it's one giant morals gambling hall.  
Don't believe all that you've heard  
and what you think you know — least of all.  
Rest assured all of that writing on the wall  
is just fool's scrawl.**

**[INSTRUMENTAL]**

2. **Where will you hide ? Where will you run  
when there's no one and nowhere to go ?  
When they've all-already told you  
what you know just isn't so.  
When you've reached the end of what's left to spend  
where even dying winds don't blow  
and you finally crash-&-burn  
to learn reality is your greatest foe.**

**[INSTRUMENTAL]**

**BRIDGE:**   **"Don't trust that writing on the wall,"  
Remember, it's just fools' scrawl.  
But when you reach the end,  
you can no longer pretend,  
who was wrong —  
they had it right all along.**

3. **When there's no more a thrift store  
where you can run to buy your fix  
for the propped-up reality you carry  
in your scary bag of tricks.  
When your head wounds grow to open sores,  
no more mere scrapes and nicks;  
when it's no longer free, but pricey  
to still get your spicy kicks . . .**

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4. **Where's the trigger safety to stop the action  
the stop-gap safety net ?  
When there's still no satisfaction  
once you got all you're gonna get.  
Do you wish you could start from the start,  
again, as if you hadn't yet ?  
But the house always wins —  
you'd still lose no matter what you bet !**

**[REPEAT BRIDGE]**

**[INSTRUMENTAL]**

**[REPEAT FINAL BRIDGE (WITH MODIFIED LYRICS)] \***

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\* Modified bridge: The fools had it right after all,  
[and TAG]: Those fools had it right after all.