

You Changed My Life

Words and music Bob Dylan

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 I was listening to the voices of death on parade
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 Singin' about conspiracy, wanting me to be afraid
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 Working for a system I couldn't understand or trust
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 Suffering ridicule and wanting to give it all up in disgust.

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 But you changed my life
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 Came along in a time of strife
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 In hunger and need you made my heart bleed
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 You changed my life.

Talk about salvation, people suddenly get tired
 They got a million things to do, they're all so inspired
 You do the work of the devil you got a million friends
 They'll be there when you got something, they'll take it all in the end.

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When the nature of man is to beg and to steal
 I do it myself, it's not so unreal
 The call of the wild's forever at my door
 Want me to fly like an eagle while being chained to the floor.

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 In hunger and need you made my heart bleed
 You changed my life.

When I was eatin' with the pigs off a fancy tray
 I was told I was lookin' good and to have a nice day
 It all seemed so proper, it all seemed so elite
 Eatin' that obsolete garbage while being so discreet.

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 In hunger and need you made my heart bleed
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You were glowing in the sun while being peaceable calm
 While orphans of man dance to the beat of the palm
 You eyes were on fire, your feet were of brass
 In the world you had made they had made you an outcast.

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There's someone in my body that I could hardly see
 Invading my privacy making my decisions for me
 Holding me back, not letting me stand
 Making me feel like a stranger in a strange land.

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My lord and my savior, my companion, my friend
Heart"fixer, mind"regulator, true to the end
My creator my comforter my cause for joy
While the world is set against what will never destroy.

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