Walking Up the Mountain

(Lyrics by Gurudain Singh — Music by Guru Dass Singh)

Chorus

Walking up the mountain And I got you by my side

I got thunder in the valley

And this bone-dry mountain high

Walking up the mountain

Climbing side by side

Walking up the mountain, with you

In the Jemez Ponderosa where the piñons meet the sky

And the hard-as-granite mountains meet the rain clouds flying by

As you and I look out and see the world spread out below

With different eyes and hearts and all the different things we know

There are cars down on the highway, ten miles to the east

See the glint of distant sunlight in the rat-tat dancing heat

But to you, you see their faces and the failing lives they lead

Then you wink at me and reckon there's a way I might succeed

With you I'm never certain just exactly where I stand

You scare me when you do the things I just can't understand

If I slow down you tell me that I'm moving up too fast

If I speed up you tell me, slow down kid, you'll never last

When I ask you how to live my life, you laugh and ask me why

You tell me I'd be better off to ask you how to die Come with me we'll climb up through the sandstone to the sky

Oh Yogi, son of Guru, come and see with your own eyes

As the rain fell on the mountain I saw every human life

Has the value of a raindrop falling from the sky It don't matter to the heavens just who lives or just who dies

It don't matter to the rainclouds where the rain falls from the sky.

As the clouds blew off I saw the stars shining in the night

In the trillion points of light I saw that each one had a life

and if nothing seems to matter, tell me what's a life to do

He said the only thing that matters is the memory of you

I don't know where we're going, won't you help me find the way

You say it doesn't matter cause we don't know anyway

We'll walk back down the mountain, there beneath the setting sun

See the time of evolution has only just begun.

We've got thunder on the mountain and sunlight on the plains

We're always moving forward, never pass this way again

With a smile and a wink you turn and walk away Oh Yogi, son of Guru, there's still a chance you say



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