

Songs for the Post Collapse Time

Homo Colossus Lament

(tune: Oh They Built the Ship Titanic; lyrics by Milan Hamilton)

1. Oh, we ^D built Homo Colossus – with ^G ingenuity ^D
With wood and coal and oil drawn – from Mother Earth's bounty ^{A7}
It took her many ages – storing fossils in her soil
But just a few for us to take her down. ^{D7}

Chorus: We're so sad to see him go
He let us down as we now know
We thought he'd keep on growing our economy. ^{A7}
Warnings through the years
Were falling on deaf ears,
And now our songs are mingled with our tears. ^D

2. So now we see how futile – is our technology
To save us from disaster – our warming destiny;
We're facing mass extinction – as we suck our planet dry,
And now we're facing harsh reality. ^{D7}

3. As the carbon fills the air – and the methane adds some more;
The ice sheets melting fast – put sea-rise at our door.
Our industrial addiction – we're heading for collapse.
It's time to make things right while we still can. ^{D7}

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