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Right and wrong

Does anyone really know the difference between what is right and wrong?
Is there some truth to which we all must adhere
When we lie and steal and cheat for power and for riches
Do we need to contemplate our actions through a lens of fear?

Who's to say that the dictator who murders by the millions
Is any worse than Gandhi who sought only peace and love
I can tell you right now that i do not believe in a moral imperative
Certainly not any one dictated by a fictitious god above

Perhaps the perfect expression of this world in which we toil
Is the ruthlessness of capitalism in all its varied forms
Kill or be killed is the creed of the globe's nations and corporations
There will never be a time when we don't believe in these norms

And still we get all twisted up when kids cheat on exams
When someone lies to us were are horrified and disgusted
And one look at the bigger picture should inform the way we think
Perhaps no one in this world can ever truly be trusted

We are an amazing species, with such capacity for love
But history has shown us that suffering is our lot
And forever the dictator and his minions will pillage and destroy
Even if such actions go against all of our decent thoughts

I can only tell you that from the place where i sit
Honesty is real, and the truth the right way to live
But i am forced to admit this is simply the way i see
My naivete and guilelessness you will have to forgive

I'm a stranger in the land, where hate and fear abound
Where people's quest for power propels them to behave so inhumane
I guess i'll do my best to hold onto family and friends
Such a beautiful species, such a terrible shame

I know this song is a bit on the self-indulgent side
But the news is getting darker and it feels like we are sinking
I know that there's no right and wrong, if there were we'd be much better
So now i'll eat some chocolate and go back to pleasant thinking