

Purple Haze - Jesus Saves

Rock legend, Jimi Hendrix died in 1970, at the age of 27. He is still widely considered the greatest guitarist in music history, said Paul McCartney of the Beatles.

The original words/lyrics to the song 'Purple Haze' came from a very vivid dream Jimi had and wrote down and was originally titled 'Purple Haze - Jesus Saves'. Jimi died soon after writing these powerful thoughts - you be the judge.

Purple Haze - Jesus Saves...Purple haze...beyond insane...Is it pleasure or is it pain...Down on the ceiling looking up at the bed...See my body painted blue and red...I see fetus unborns pointing at the time...Rush through space...my hair is blowing in their minds...Through the haze I see 1000 crosses...Scratched in the ... This is where it abruptly ends.

According to the late Monika Dannemann, author of 'The Inner Life of Jimi Hendrix' and Hendrix's fiancé at the time of his death, the original 'Purple Haze - Jesus Saves' was based on a long manuscript. In his notebook Hendrix stated that the entire meaning of the song came from a very powerful dream he had one night.

As related by Ms. Dannemann, "He looked down on earth and saw an unborn fetus waiting for its birth. At the same time he saw spirits of the dead leaving earth. Later in the dream he went on a journey through the different dimensions and was walking under the sea. Part of the song was about the 'purple haze' which surrounded him, engulfed him, and in which he got lost. He told me later what a traumatic experience this had been, but that in the dream his faith in Jesus had saved him."

Other sources indicate that 'Purple Haze' was inspired by science fiction. But Hendrix corroborated Dannemann's claim in a January 1967 interview with John King for 'Music Express'.

Here are the lyrics of 'Purple Haze – Jesus Saves' in entirety:

The story of Jesus
So easy to explain
After they crucified him,
A woman, she claimed his name
The story of Jesus
The whole Bible knows
Went all across the desert
And in the middle, he found a rose

There should be no questions
There should be no lies
He was married ever happily after
All the tears we cry
No use in arguing
All the use to the man that moans
When each man falls in battle
His soul it has to roam

Angles of heaven
Flying saucers to some,
Made Easter Sunday
The name of the rising sun

The story is written
By so many people who dared,
To lay down the truth
To so very many who cared
To carry the cross
Of Jesus and beyond
We will guide the light
This time with a woman in our arms
We as men
Can't explain the reason why
The woman's always mentioned
At the moment that we die
All we know
Is God is by our side,
And he says the word
So easy yet so hard

I wish not to be alone,
So I must respect my other heart
Oh, the story
Of Jesus is the story
Of you and me
No use in feeling lonely,
I am searching to be free

The story
Of life is quicker
Than the wink of an eye
The story of love
Is hello and goodbye
Until we meet again

Years after his death, Jimi Hendrix still has a profound impact on the music world and pop culture. The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame described him as 'arguably the greatest instrumentalist in the history of rock music'.

Born in Seattle, Washington, Hendrix began playing guitar at the age of 15. He became enthralled with it and believed it was God's gift to him. Jimi Hendrix's ancestry included African American, Irish, and Cherokee ancestors.

Jimi, like Bob Dylan, was looking for the 'Ultimate Truth' and both ended up believing that Jesus of Nazareth was the incarnate God in the flesh. Jimi believed Jesus lived and died to teach us the need to

remove our bad karma and our sins, and that He rose from the dead to prove that He Alone was the Way, the Truth and the Life. John 14:6.

Jimi was not endorsing so-called organized religion but a personal, eternal relationship with the Creator God (Elohim) Genesis 1:1, thru His Son Yeshua/Jesus, Proverbs 30:4, John 1:1-4

Find peace with God thru Jesus of Nazareth, the Messiah/Christ, the Son of God. Everyone of us has fallen far short of God's perfect standard of perfection towards Him and others. He offers us all forgiveness if we truly repent of our failings and shortcomings toward Him.

Jimi Hendrix wrote 'Purple Haze - Jesus Saves'. What do you believe?

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