JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT

Lyrics

**1. PROLOGUE**

Some folks dream of the wonders they'll do  
Before their time on this planet is through  
Some just don't have anything planned  
They hide their hopes and their heads in the sand  
Now I don't say who is wrong, who is right  
But if by chance you are here for the night  
Then all I need is an hour or two  
To tell the tale of a dreamer like you  
We all dream a lot - some are lucky, some are not  
But if you think it, want it, dream it, then it's real  
You are what you feel  
  
But all that I say can be told another way  
In this story of a boy whose dream came true  
And he could be you 

**2. JACOB AND SONS**

Way way back many centuries ago,

not long after the Bible began.  
Jacob lived in the land of Canaan,

a fine example of a family man

Jacob, Jacob and Sons,

depended on farming to earn their keep  
Jacob, Jacob and sons,

spent all of their days in the fields with sheep

Jacob was the founder of a whole new nation,  
Thanks to the number of children he'd had  
He was also known as Israel but most of the time  
His sons and his wives used to call him Dad

(Brothers) DAD!!!!!!!

Jacob, Jacob and Sons,

Men of the soil, of the sheaf and crook  
Jacob, Jacob and Sons,

A remarkable family in anyone's book

**Reuben** was the eldest of the children of Israel,

With **Simeon** and **Levi** the next in line  
**Napthali** and **Isaachar** with **Asher** and **Dan,**  
**Zebulun** and **Gad** took the total to nine

Jacob, Jacob and Sons,

**Benjamin** and **Judah**, which leaves only one  
Jacob, Jacob and sons,

**Joseph** -- Jacob's favorite son

Jacob, Jacob and Sons (repeat two more times)

Jacob, Jacob, Jacob, Jacob and Sons

**3.JACOB’S COAT**

**[JACOB]  
Joseph's mother, she was quite my favorite wife  
I never really loved another all my life  
And Joseph was my joy because He reminded me of her  
[BROTHERS] Yechh!!  
[NARRATOR]  
Through young Joseph, Jacob lived his youth again  
Loved him, praised him, gave him all he could, but then  
It made the rest feel second best  
And even if they were --  
[BROTHERS]  
Being told were also-rans Does not make us Joseph fans  
[NARRATOR]  
But where they have really missed the boat is  
[BROTHERS]  
We're great guys but no-one seems to notice  
[NARRATOR]**

**Joseph's charm and winning smiles Fail to slay them in the aisles  
And their father couldn't see the danger**

**He could not imagine any danger**

**He just saw in Joseph all his dreams come true**

**Jacob wanted to show the world he loved his son  
To make it clear that Joseph was the special one  
So Jacob bought his son a coat A multi-colored coat to wear  
[BROTHERS]  
Joseph's coat was elegant, the cut was fine  
The tasteful style was the ultimate in good design  
And this is why it caught the eye A king would stop and stare**

**[NARRATOR]  
And when Joseph tried it on He knew my sheepskin days were gone  
Such a dazzling coat of many colors  
How he loved his coat of many colors  
In a class above the rest It even went well with his vest  
Such a stunning coat of many colors  
How he loved his coat of many colors  
It was red and yellow and green and brown and blue  
  
Joseph's brothers weren't too pleased with what they saw  
[BROTHERS]  
We had never liked him all that much before  
And now this coat Has got our goat  
We feel life is unfair  
[NARRATOR]  
And when Joseph graced the scene  
His brothers turned a shade of green  
His astounding clothing took the biscuit  
Quite the smoothest person in the district  
(Joseph) I look handsome, I look smart. I am a walking work of art  
Such a dazzling coat of many colors How I love my coat of many colors  
[NARRATOR & ALL]  
It was red and yellow and green and brown,**

**And scarlet and black and ochre and peach,**

**And ruby and olive and violet and fawn,**

**And lilac and gold and chocolate and mauve,**

**And cream and crimson and silver and rose,**

**And azure and lemon and russet and grey,**

**And purple and white and pink and orange**

**AND BLUE!**

**4. One More Angel in Heaven**

Father we've something to tell you, a story of our time  
A tragic but inspiring tale, of manhood in its prime  
You know you had a dozen sons -  
Well now that's not quite true  
But feel no sorrow, do not grieve,  
He would not want you to

There's one more angel in heaven  
There's one more star in the sky  
Joseph we'll never forget you  
It's tough, but we're gonna get by  
There's one less place at our table  
There's one more tear in my eye

But Joseph the things that you stood for

Like truth and light never die

When I think of his last great battle  
A lump comes to my throat  
It takes a man who knows no fear  
To wrestle with a goat  
His blood-stained coat is tribute to  
His final sacrifice  
His body may be past its peak  
But his soul's in paradise

There's one less place at our table  
There's one more tear in my eye

But Joseph the things that you stood for

Like truth and light never die

Carve his name with pride and courage

Let no tear be shed

If he had not laid down his life  
We all would now be dead

**5.CLOSE EVERY DOOR**

Close every door to me  
Hide all the world from me  
Bar all the windows  
And shut out the light

Do what you want with me  
Hate me and laugh at me  
Darken my daytime  
And torture my night

If my life were important I  
Would ask will I live or die  
But I know the answers lie  
Far from this world

Close every door to me  
Keep those I love from me  
Children of Israel  
Are never alone

For I know I shall find  
My own peace of mind  
For I have been promised  
A land of my own

ALL:

Close every door to me

Keep those I love from me  
Children of Israel  
Are never alone  
For we know we shall find  
Our own peace of mind  
For we have been promised  
A land of our own

**6. SONG OF THE KING**

Well I was wandering along by the banks of the river

when seven fat cows came out of the Nile A-ha

(Chorus) Bap shu wa, bap bap shu wa du wa

And right behind these fine healthy animals

came seven other cows, skinny and vile A-ha

(Chorus) Bap shu wa, bap bap shu wa du wa

Well the thin cows ate the fat cows which I thought would do them good  
But it didn't make them fatter like I thought a monster supper should

Because the thin ones were as thin as they had ever, ever been  
This dream has got me baffled, Hey Joseph, tell me what it means

C'mon you know that kings ain't stupid STUPID!  
But I don't have a clue STUPID!

So don't be cruel Joseph JOSEPH!  
You gotta help me now I beg of you

I was standing doing nothing in a field out of town

I saw seven beautiful ears of corn  
They were ripe they were golden but you guessed it right  
behind them were seven other ears tattered and torn

Then the bad corn ate the good corn man they came up right behind  
yes they did  
And Joseph here's the punchline it's really gonna blow your mind !  
Flip your lid!  
Because the bad corn was as bad as it had ever ever been  
This dream has got me all shook up, now treat me nice and tell me what it means

Hey, hey, hey Joseph

Won't you tell Old Pharoah

What this crazy dream really means

Oh Yeah!

**7. THOSE CANAAN DAYS**

Do you remember the good years in Canaan?

The summers were endlessly gold

The fields were a patchwork of clover

The winters were never too cold

We'd stroll down the boulevards together

And everything round us was fine

Now the fields are dead and bare No joie de vivre anywhere

Et maintenant we drink a bitter wine

(Brothers) Those Canaan days we used to know

Where have they gone, where did they go?

Eh bien, raise your berets To those Canaan days

Do you remember those wonderful parties?

The splendor of Canaan's cuisine

Our extravagant, elegant soirees

The gayest the Bible has seen

It’s funny but since we lost Joseph

We've gone to the other extreme

Perhaps we all misjudged the lad Perhaps he wasn't quite that bad

And how we miss his entertaining dreams

(Brothers) Those Canaan days we used to know

Where have they gone, where did they go?

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**9. BENJAMIN CALYPSO**

Oh, no, not he How you can accuse him is a mystery?  
Save him, take me  
Benjamin is straighter than the tall palm tree

I hear the steel drums sing their song  
They're singing man you know you've got it wrong  
I hear the voice of the yellow bird  
Singing in the tree it is quite absurd

Oh, yes, it's true  
Benjamin is straighter than the big bamboo  
No ifs, no buts  
Benjamin is honest as coconuts

Sure as the tide wash the golden sand  
Benjamin is an innocent man  
Sure as bananas need the sun  
We are the criminal guilty ones

Oh, no, not he How you can accuse him is a mystery?  
Save him, take me  
Benjamin is straighter than the tall palm tree  
La la, la la, la la, la la

Oh, no, not he How you can accuse him is a mystery?  
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La la la la la la la (repeat) Oh no, not heeeeeeeeeee

**10. JACOB CAME TO EGYPT**

So Jacob came to Egypt

No longer feeling old

And Joseph came to meet him

In his chariot of gold

Of gold, of gold, of gold

**11. ANY DREAM WILL DO**

I closed my eyes, drew back the curtain  
To see for certain what I thought I knew  
Far far away, someone was weeping  
But the world was sleeping  
Any dream will do

I wore my coat, with golden lining I wore my coat, Ah  
Bright colors shining, wonderful and new   
And in the east, the dawn was breaking And in the east, Ah  
And the world was waking  
Any dream will do

A crash of drums, a flash of light  
My golden coat flew out of sight  
The colors faded into darkness I was left alone

May I return to the beginning May I return, Ah  
The light is dimming, and the dream is too   
The world and I, we are still waiting The world and I, Ah  
Still hesitating  
Any dream will do

Give me my colored coat My amazing colored coat

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