

Eleven Light Years



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A rock anthem for the gap between knowledge and wisdom.

Description

"Eleven Light Years" is a rock song built around Isaac Asimov's line — that science gathers knowledge faster than society gathers wisdom. A returning observer catalogues what humanity has built, and what it has built itself into.

Genres: Hard Rock, Proto-Metal

For Fans Of: Black Sabbath, Guns N' Roses, W.A.S.P.

Mood: Epic, Hopeful

Themes: Humanist, Return, Reason, Human Progress, Skepticism, Secularism, Sci-Fi, Space Travel

Sound: Riff-Driven, Mid-Tempo, Distorted Guitars, Electric Guitar, Groovy, Polished Production, Classic Rock, Ballad-Like Structure, Narrative Songwriting, Big Chorus, Catchy Riffs, Melodic Vocals

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Appendix A: Lyrics

I arrived from the stars - it was a very long trip
57 years, lonely me and my loyal ship
My destination is Earth - Cat's ancient home
Now it's populated by Apes with upgraded genome

Apes use steam and nuclear bombs
They've built pyramids and built Washington
They visited Moon and pioneered pollution
They invented democracy and revolutions

Eleven light years from Earth Cats build space stations
Five light years away Cats build bridges to the moons
On Delta Eridani Cats constructed perfect bodies and flying cities
But here on Earth I feel myself like in Zoo

So Apes have great power of fusion reaction
But they continue use religions and improve corruption
They play with genes and do space exploration
But they can not provide universal education

Apes invented science and complex mechanisms
They developed medicine but still use mysticism
They investigated cosmos and secrets of mind
But ancient superstitions make them limited and blind

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Apes built computers it was a good start
Then came social nets and it was a fatal trap
Now anyone has tools to spread misinformation
Their algorithms can destroy civilization

Nobody knows where is lie, where is true
Even despite the giant IQ
Apes now live in information bubbles
And because of this they have a lot of troubles

Eleven light years from Earth Cats build space stations
Five light years away Cats build bridges to the moons
On Delta Eridani Cats constructed perfect bodies and flying cities
But here on Earth I feel myself like in Zoo

I'm returning to the stars - it will be a very long trip
Several decades, lonely me and my loyal ship
My departure place is Earth - Cat's ancient home
It's still populated by Apes with upgraded genome

Earth belongs to Apes, it was inherited from Cats
Apes are curious but they believe in gods
From animals ancestors they've got their altruism
But they made step forward and invented humanism

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But here on Earth ...

Appendix B: Epigraphs

Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I'm not sure about the universe

— Albert Einstein — Theoretical physicist,

Once intelligent beings achieve technology and the capacity for self-destruction... the selective advantage of intelligence becomes more uncertain.

— Carl Sagan — Astronomer, astrophysicist, and science communicator, *The Dragons of Eden* (1977)

Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic

— Arthur C. Clarke — Science fiction writer and futurist, *Profiles of the Future*

Never underestimate the power of human stupidity

— Robert A. Heinlein — Science fiction writer, *Time Enough for Love*

The saddest aspect of life right now is that science gathers knowledge faster than society gathers wisdom

— Isaac Asimov — Science fiction writer and professor of biochemistry, *Isaac Asimov's Book of Science and Nature Quotations*