

# Meat Loaf, The Future Ain't What It Used To Be

(Steinman)

[Boy:]

I never knew so many bad times  
Could follow me so mercilessly  
It's almost surreal all the pain that I feel  
The future ain't what it used to be

It doesn't matter what they're thinking  
It doesn't matter what they're thinking of me  
It's always so cold and I'm too young to be old  
The future ain't what it used to be

Were there ever any stars in the sky?  
And did the sun ever shine so bright?  
Do you have any dreams I could borrow  
Just to get me through the lonely nights?

Is there anything left to hold on to  
When the rivers wash it all away?  
Is there anyone left to hold on to?  
Is there anything left I can say?

Say a prayer for the falling angels  
Stem the tide of the rising waters  
Toll a bell for the broken hearted  
Burn a torch for your sons and daughters

The endless night has got a hold of me  
Dark days are pulling me forward  
And all these tears are washing over me  
And I'm crying - I'm lost forever  
In a future that ain't what it used to be  
A future that ain't what it used to be  
A future that ain't what it used to be no more...  
(no more, no more, no more)

[Girl:]

It's like a storm that's never ending  
It's like a shadow on the land and the sea  
There's nothing so sad as a tomorrow gone bad  
The future ain't what it used to be, now

[Boy:]

Some days I feel so numb and empty  
And those would be the good days for me

[Both:]

Nothing gets to me now unless I'm thinking of how  
The future ain't what it used to be

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[Girl:] No more, no more, no more, no more  
[Boy:] No more  
[Girl:] No more, no more, no more, no more...  
[Boy:] No more, no more, no more, no more...

The future just ain't what it used to be  
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The future just ain't what it used to be  
Oh, the future just ain't what it used to be  
[Girl:] The future that ain't what it used to be no more...  
Oh, the future just ain't what it used to be  
[Girl:] The future that ain't what it used to be no more...  
Hmmm, the future just ain't what it used to be  
[Girl:] Aaah, the future, the future, the future, the future...  
Oh, the future, the future, the future just ain't what it used to be  
(the future just ain't what it used to be)  
Oh, future just ain't what it used to be  
Aaaaah, the future just ain't what it used to be  
[Girl:] The future...

[Both:]  
I wish it wouldn't come  
I wish it wouldn't come  
I wish it wouldn't come but it always does...