

(Dead silence. ~~And more dead silence.~~ BOY looks out at the congregation.)

(To congregation.)

I know ...

(Clears throat.)

... I know you hate me. But I have to believe that it's because you don't know me. If you could see me ... I mean, if you could really see me the way I see all of you ...

#17 LET ME WALK AMONG YOU

BAT BOY

LOOK AT ALL YOUR FACES  
CHILDREN, HUSBANDS, WIVES  
GOD, YOU'RE ALL SO BEAUTIFUL  
I ENVY YOU YOUR LIVES!  
GOING TO WORK  
BUILDING YOUR SCHOOLS  
THROWING A FOOTBALL  
OR SWIMMING IN POOLS  
OUT IN THE SUN  
LIVING BY RULES  
I COULD LEARN HOW IF YOU'D TEACH ME THE TOOLS!  
I KNOW I'M STRANGE  
SO HELP ME CHANGE  
PLEASE

LET ME WALK AMONG YOU  
LET ME SHOW MY FACE  
I COULD LEARN TO LIVE WITH YOU  
I CAN EARN MY PLACE  
I WILL MOVE A MOUNTAIN;  
YOUR WISH IS MY COMMAND

AND SOME DAY YOU MAY WANT TO SHAKE MY HAND  
I WILL PAINT YOUR HOUSES  
I'LL MILK YOUR COWS AT DAWN  
I WILL DO YOUR LAUNDRY  
AND I WILL MOW YOUR LAWN  
LET ME FILE YOUR TAXES  
I AM A CPA;  
AND MAYBE THEN YOU'LL SHAKE MY HAND SOME DAY