I won't be told anymore
That I've been brought down in this storm
And left so far out from the shore
That I can't find my way back, my way anymore

Oh no, I won't be told anymore
That I've been brought down in this storm
And left so far out from the shore
That I can't find my way back, my way anymore
Oh no I, I

Forgive them that tear down my soul Bless them that they might grow old And free them so that they may know That it's never too late

For the many times, what seemed like a memory I've searched and found the ways you used to lure me in Oh, I found the way, oh, why it had to be Mired in denial and so afraid

If we ever find it's true
That we have the strength to choose
Our freedom or the chains
We held together

I'm gonna tell you a story Stand up for righteousness What? Stand up for justice What? Stand up for truth

How can a person grow up With all this around them? You got to call on that something Where does it come from? That can make a way out of no way

All this hatred?
What we've got here is fear
That power that can make a way out of now no way
Failure to communicate
I tell ya I seen the lightning
I've heard the thunder roll

Everybody's acting like we can do anything And it don't matter what we do
Maybe we gotta be extra careful because
Maybe it matters more than we even know

Sometimes hatred isn't something you're born with I feel discouraged, it gets taught Sometimes I feel discouraged, I felt this fear He promised never to leave me
Never to leave me alone, no never alone, no never alone

Let's get something straight, alright? Promised never to leave me

This whole thing was fucked up Never to leave me alone All men betray, all lose heart

I don't want to lose heart, I want to believe Black men and white men Together at the table of brotherhood, I have a dream Free at last, free at last, thank God almighty We are free at last

Oh, I won't be told anymore
(If we ever find it's true)
That I've been brought down in this storm
(That we have the strength to choose)

And left so far out from the shore (Our freedom or the chains)
That I can't find my way back, my way anymore (We held together)

Oh no, I won't be told anymore
(If we ever find it's true)
That I've been brought down in this storm
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