

## **Trask Stephen**

### **"TEAR ME DOWN"**

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Ladies and gentlemen,  
whether you like or not  
HEDWIG!

I was born on the other side  
of a town ripped in two  
I made it over the great divide  
now I'm coming for you

Enemies and adversaries  
they try and tear me down  
You want me, baby, I dare you  
Try and tear me down

I rose from off of the doctor's slab  
like Lazarus from the pit  
Now everyone wants to take a stab  
and decorate me  
with blood graffiti and spit

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On August 12, 1961,  
a wall was erected  
down the middle of the city of Berlin.  
The world was divided by a cold war  
and the Berlin Wall  
was the most hated symbol of that divide  
Reviled. Graffitied. Spit upon.  
We thought the wall would stand forever,  
and now that it's gone,  
we don't know who we are anymore.  
Ladies and Gentlemen,  
Hedwig is like that wall,  
standing before you in the divide  
between East and West,  
Slavery and Freedom,  
Man and Woman,

Top and Bottom.  
And you can try to tear her down,  
but before you do,  
remember one thing.

Listen  
There ain't much of a difference  
between a bridge and a wall  
Without me right in the middle, babe  
you would be nothing at all

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they try and tear me down  
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