

## Abbey Lincoln

### "Everything I Do Is Reckless"

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"Say it ain't so drew  
Say it ain't so"  
Oh I've been dying  
Just to hear someone say  
"Outstretched and open are these arms,  
And we will wait if it takes all day  
For you to come down"

In my spare time I built a rocket  
From the ground you can't see these scenes  
I took to the air just hoping  
And blew myself to smithereens  
The wind is what spread my ashes  
The rain is what washed me clean  
Looking down on the masses  
Always higher I long to be

Oh won't you please just take a piece  
And kindly put it in your pocket  
I'd be so pleased just take a peace  
Secure it tightly on a necklase  
We always need to believe in something  
And pray that something pulls us from the wreckage  
To carry us away from this scene

And it's the break away  
That's the hardest part it seems  
It's the risk you take  
And the life I chose to lead  
It's the thoughts you have  
Right before you fall asleep  
It's the thoughts you have  
Right before you fall

"Won't you take care Drew  
Won't you take care  
Oh we've been dying to hear back but you wont  
Reply to signals,  
Respond at all,  
We've lost our patience  
And we're losing the hope

That you'll ever  
Come down"

"Oh, to what great lengths we go"

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