

Dream Theater

"As I Am"

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Don't tell me what's in, tell me how to write
Don't tell me how to win this fight
Isn't your life, it isn't your right
To take the only thing

That's mine, proven over time
It's over your head
Don't try to read between the lines
Are clearly defined, never lose sight of
Something you believe in

Takin' in the view from the outside
Feeling like the underdog
Watching through the window
I'm on the outside
Living like the underdog

I've been trying
To justify you
In the end I will
Just defy you

To those who understand, I extend my hand
To the doubtful I demand, take me as I am
Not under your command, I know where I stand
I won't change to fit your plan, take me as I am, as I am

Still running uphill
Swimming against the current
I wish I weren't so fucked
Feels like I'm stuck
Lost in a sea of mediocrity

Slow down, you're thinking too much
Where is your soul?"
You cannot touch, the way I play
Or tell me what to say
You're in the way
Of all that I believe in

Takin' in the view from the outside
Feeling like the underdog

Watching through the window
I'm on the outside
Living like the underdog

I've been wasting
My breath on you
Open minds will
Descend upon you

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To the doubtful I demand, take me as I am
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I won't change to fit your plan, take me as I am

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To the doubtful I demand, take me as I am
Not under your command, I know where I stand
I won't change to fit your plan, take me as I am
As I am, yeah, as I am

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