

## Epica

# "Martyr Of The Free Word"

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Speaking interpretation

A conversation can take a sudden turn

And reaching the point of violence

Because your silence left you without a hand to hold

Your past will lead you on to make...

Making a final judgement

Based on your bias will never bring you forward

Terror should never guide you

For even the fearful can take a beating in the end

Suspicion gets you nowhere

Those who denounce a way of life

Will stand alone

Left to atone their social blunders

If you gun down the messenger

You guarantee that he will be made

Into a saint

A martyr of the free word

I will say

I will say what I think

I will do

I will do what I say

When liberty seems out of reach

We'll fight for our freedom of speech

Requiem aeternam dona eis,

Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis

Missing a simple context

A mental weakness can throw you out of balance

Listen, respect each other

Then you'll discover

It mustn't always end in hate

It's not too late for mercy

Those who denounce a way of life

Will stand alone

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When tolerance seems out of sight  
We will fight  
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