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India.Arie "Pearls"

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There is a woman in Somalia Scraping for pearls by the roadside There is a force stronger than nature Keeps her will alive

That is how she lives her life She is dying to survive I don't know what she's made of I would like to be that brave

She cries to the heavens above There's a stone in my heart She lives a life she didn't choose And it hurts like brand new shoes Yes, it hurts like brand new shoes And it hurts like brand new shoes

There is a woman in Rwanda The sun shows her no mercy The same sky we lay under Burns her to the bone

Long as afternoon shadows It's gonna take her to get home Each grain carefully wrapped up Pearls for her little girl

Hallelujah, Hallelujah

She cries to the heavens above There's a stone in my heart She lives a life she didn't choose And it hurts like brand new shoes Yes, it hurts like brand new shoes And it hurts like brand new shoes

There is a woman in Somalia There is a woman in Rwanda There is a woman in Sudan There is a woman in the Congo And she hurts like brand new shoes Hallelujah, Hallelujah Ohhh Hallelujah, Hallelujah (African words sung) Hallelujah, Hallelujah Hallelujah, Hallelujah

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