

## John Reuben "Defensive Offender"

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Did it make you feel good to break me down  
Did it make you feel good to take me down  
Was life getting to you was it all you knew to do  
What kind of comfort did you feel by making me less  
than you  
Did it make you feel good to know that your attempt to  
bring me down  
Was beginning to control my perception of self  
And that's what you wanted right  
To manipulate my thinking and dominate what I feel  
like  
Tap into my thinking tap into my will  
What causes human motives to be so ill  
You pushed a man looking to make him react  
Then you stand there smirking satisfied that I snapped

(chorus)

I'm no better than you you're no better than me  
We're just flesh and bone looking for some identity  
I'm no better than you you're no better than me  
We're just flesh and bone looking for some security

Did it make me feel good to break you down  
Did it make me feel good to take you down  
What did it do for me to put your respect on the line  
By taking yours did I find it to build mine  
Hold my head high from the outcome  
How come when I'm doing things I used to run from  
Scrap the pitch fork horns and animated terror  
Looked in the mirror and found evil standing right  
there  
I guess this is the point when you see Satan in you  
No form of retaliation was worth hating you  
I take that view and then I eat my words too  
I guess all along I was no better than you

(chorus)

Some want peace and some want war  
So many hate without knowing what for  
Some are naturally rich but spiritually poor  
Some have so much but would kill for more

Some are unsure so they front hardcore  
And try to dominate those that make them insecure  
And I've been on both sides before  
A defensive offender stripped down to the core

(chorus)

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