

Lupe Fiasco

"Unforgivable Youth"

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[Hook]

This world, my heart, my soul
Things that I don't know
The icicles they grow
They never let me go
Scars are left as proof
But tears they soak on through
Things I've done
My young
My unforgivable youth

[Verse 1]

With land on the horizon & passion in their eyes then
What they think are islands are much more in their size
Bountiful and plentiful and resource to provide them
Supplies slim. Morale once so heavily inside them
Now steadily declining
Return is not an option as necessity denies them
With this they choose to dive in
Now along the shore and so aware of their arriving
Other children of this land prepared to share in their
surviving
A pageantry of feathers stands his majesty with
treasure
Not the material things of kings that could never last
forever
But secrets of the spirit world and how to live in
harmony together
Unbeknownst to him his head would be the first that
they would sever
And stuck up on a pike up along the beach
Kept up as a warning to the rest to turn away from their
beliefs
And so began it here. And for 500 years
Torture, Terror, Fear til they nearly disappear

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[Verse 2]

Ways and means from the trade of human beings
A slave labor force provides wealth to the machine
And helps the new regime establish and expand
Using manifest destiny to siphon off the land
From native caretakers who can barely understand
"How can land be owned by another man. Warns one
can not steal what was
given as a gift. Is the sky owned by birds and the rivers
owned by fish."
But the lesson went unheeded, for the sake of what's
not needed
You kill but do not eat it
The excessive and elitists don't repair it when they
leave it
The forests's were cleared, the factories were built
And your mistakes will be repeated by your future
generation doomed to pay
for your mistreatments
Foolishness and flaws, greed and needs and
disagreement
And you rushed to have the most, from the day you left
your boats
You'll starve but never die. In a world of hungry ghosts

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[Verse 3]

As archaeologists dig in the deserts of the east
Appeared "A pit" 100 meters wide and 100 meters
deep
They discover ancient cars on even older streets
And a city well preserved and most likely at it's peak
A culture so advanced, and by condition of the teeth
They can tell that they was civil, not barbaric in the
least
A society at peace. With liberty and justice for all

Neatly carved in what seems to be a wall
They would doubt that there was any starvation at all
That they pretty much had the poverty problem all
solved
From the sheer amount of paper, most likely used for
trade
Everything's so organized. They had to be well
behaved
Assumed they had clean energy, but little to no
enemies
Very honest leaders with overwhelming sympathies
Religions kinda complex. Kinda hard to figure out
And this must be the temple
This White. House

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