

Mavis Staples

"Dictatorship Vs Democracy"

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VERSE 1: Vicious cycle of life: I find that I kill myself
every time I look away from you.
But I often gaze another moment.
Incited scars reopen,bleeding again, and they're
bleeding at my request

CHORUS: Freely given, and we choose the choice to
lose(now we know)
As these scars are screaming at me-Just why we've
chosen poorly.
Could this be our chance to see why we believe that we
need you instead of following numbly?

VERSE 2: Ride on, ride strong,soldier,march to the
dictated beat.
Have you ever known how victory feels unless you have
felt defeat?
Don't want the pain of free will stolen and mindless
mechanical will chose.
Cherish the loss- there is no concept of gain without
cost.

When I hit the ground and bloody palms i raise, the
arms that pick me up convince me
there's no better place.

CHORUS:Freely given, and we choose the choice to
lose(now we know)
As these scars are screaming at me-Just why we've
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(IT'S MY CHOICE)
I fall, and I fall freely.
Incited scars are bleeding and now i believe.
When I hit the ground and bloody palms i raise, the
arms that pick me up convince me
there's no better place.

CHORUS:Freely given, and we choose the choice to

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