## Sam Nixon "Mike And The Mechanics"

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Every generation
Blames the one before
And all of their frustrations
Come beating on your door

I know that I'm a prisoner

To all my Father held so dear
I know that I'm a hostage

To all his hopes and fears
I just wish I could have told him in the living years

Crumpled bits of paper Filled with imperfect thought Stilted conversations I'm afraid that's all we've got

You say you just don't see it He says it's perfect sense You just can't get agreement In this present tense We all talk a different language Talking in defense

Say it loud, say it clear You can listen as well as you hear It's too late when we die To admit we don't see eye to eye

So we open up a quarrel
Between the present and the past
We only sacrifice the future
It's the bitterness that lasts

So Don't yield to the fortunes You sometimes see as fate It may have a new perspective On a different date And if you don't give up, and don't give in You may just be O.K.

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I wasn't there that morning When my Father passed away I didn't get to tell him All the things I had to say

I think I caught his spirit
Later that same year
I'm sure I heard his echo
In my baby's new born tears
I just wish I could have told him in the living years

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