

## Stevie Wonder "Misrepresented People"

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In 1492 you came upon these shores.  
Seven hundred years, educated by the moors;  
17th Century-- genocide and the gun  
Middle Passage blessed to market the Africans.

In the so-called "Land of God"  
My kind were treated hard.  
From back then until now  
I see, and you agree--  
We have been a misrepresented people.

From back then until now  
Just see my family tree;  
We have been a misrepresented people.  
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19th century-- slavery destroyed.  
Soldiers who fought and won  
What's known as "nigger-boys".  
20th century-- with freedom in my hand,  
We invent ideas  
Which helped us save a land,

But while I prayed to God  
My moms and pops got whored.  
From back then until now  
You'll see our history;  
We have been a misrepresented people.

From back then until now  
Just see my family tree;  
We have been a misrepresented people  
Yes, we have been a misrepresented people.

1969-- Black power's at the door.  
1982-- Hop-hop was on the floor.  
1992-- Gangsta crack prevailed.  
1999-- Our colors filled the jails.

It is through the grace of God  
That we all were not scarred.  
From back then until now

We see no comedy;  
We have been a misrepresented people.

From back then until now  
Were we still a mystery;  
We have been a misrepresented people.  
Yes, we have been a misrepresented people.

Though we march across time,  
A sea of victories,  
We have been a misrepresented people.

From back then until now  
You know we made you grow;  
We have been a misrepresented people.  
We have been a misrepresented people.

From back then until now  
We see our destiny  
To never be a misrepresented people.

Yes, we march across to time to free  
A melody  
To never be a misrepresented people.

No you must never be a misrepresented people.

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