

## The Gates Of Slumber

### "Proving Ground"

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Here I stand  
On the proving ground  
Mortal man  
Hiding my failures  
And I can  
Leave here without a sound  
But then where would I be?  
Broken again, lonely and free  
Without a friend

I know I have demons to battle  
So I pray for the strength  
That I haven't yet found  
I'll go where the Diamondbacks rattle  
And wait for the day  
On the hot proving ground

Lately my faith  
Dwindles like kindling in fire  
Shimmers and shakes  
Like a ghost in the wind  
Glimmers and waits for the change to begin  
Lately my faith

I knowâ€¦!

If I hold on 'till the new sun arrives  
If some small part of my true self survives  
Then I might run like a child on the sand  
Never to carry this burden again  
And oh here it comes, the one thing I forgot  
The secret I found is the secret I lost  
But can I believe in the truth I betrayed  
Can I make peace with the choices I made  
Help me hold on

I knowâ€¦!

