

Nina Simone

"Why?"

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What's gonna happen now, in all of our cities?
My people are rising, they're living in lies
Even if they have to die, even if they have to die
At the moment they know what life is

Even at that one moment that ya know what life is
If you have to die, it's all right
'Cause you know what life is
You know what freedom is for one moment of your life

But he had seen the mountaintop and he knew he could
not stop
Always living with the threat of death ahead
Folks you'd better stop and think, everybody knows
we're on the brink
What will happen now, that the King is dead?

We can all shed tears, it won't change a thing
Teach your people, will they ever learn?
Must you always kill with burn and burn with guns
And kill with guns and burn, don't you know how we
gotta react?

But he had seen the mountaintop and he knew he could
not stop
Always living with the threat of death ahead
Folks you'd better stop and think, everybody knows
we're on the brink
What will happen, now that the King of Love is dead?

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