

## Sizzla

# "Strength & Hope"

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Intro Haile I, ever live in love, blessed my lord &  
empress, Ethiopia  
Hear the right O Jah Rastafari, attend unto I and I cry  
and give ears  
unto I and I words that going not of favourites  
Let basentess come forth from thy prison, tell yuh to  
rise, behold the things  
which are equal  
I and I say black people never lose the faith, Him cop  
he head so we get it  
and the king of glory shall come in  
Emperor Haile Selassie I is our ever-living king, yes  
Is more love & joy Rastafari bring, yeah yeah

Chorus 1 Rastafari ha we strength & hope  
Inna d system d youths dem na go cope  
The life some living is ah joke  
Always live for the best, of course, yah [times 2]

Verse 1 Ay, be not like dem old Phareces &  
Scribes, yahh  
Be not like dem who always fuss and fight, ooohhh  
Just live in love and protect your life  
Israelites, give praises, always yes  
And to the most high

[chorus 1 times 2]

Verse 2 It has been such a very long while  
Black people been suffering, yah, hey  
High society say dem ah d top ah d line  
So dem take we as dey mockery and postering, yow  
Dem couldn't stop mih locks from growin'  
Yow, well deh couldn't stop Jah breeze from blowin', no  
Ah say dem couldn't stop d river from flowin'  
To Ethiopia, Africa black people goin'  
Righteousness Rastafari sowing  
Aayy, justice endowing

Chorus 2 Rastafari ha we strength & hope  
Inna d system d youths dem cyah cope  
All dey got to give are guns & coke

Dey never see fire we done smoke, burn dem out  
now [chorus 1]

Verse 3 It surely give me joy to see you seeing & praise  
the Most High

It will give you joy, how good in place and black people  
dem ha in I, jyow

Why should we ever dear fight, yow

When everyone is equal in Selassie I sight

Be fruitful and live in the sunshine

King Selassie I hail we every time

[chorus 1 times 2, fading]

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