

## Sophia

# "Suffocating The Magpie"

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This may be the final straw that fractures our backs  
Our knees begin to buckle and break as we carry the  
weight of our broken pieces  
Gentlemen is this the love you want

Desire came last night to your bed  
And now your begging the warden for bread  
Your belly is full but your heart is a tomb  
Your belly is full but your heart begs for rapture

You call this love, I call this capture  
It's love you want but it's not love we're after

The taste of feast is on my teeth, but all we want is  
swallow  
The children dance merrily because they haven't seen  
what we're capable of  
Oh savages

Turn off your Television screens and unplug your  
computer monitor, rip pages from the books and  
magazines  
But we'll never completely wipe away our fingerprints  
on all the misery

I called you my daughter  
I called you my mother  
Forgive us my sister, I am the curse

I can't see you, just the you I need you to be  
All this time you were crying and I turned my back  
I can't hear you, just the you I need you to be  
All this time you were crying I was deaf to your  
screaming

It's not the lines we draw between right and wrong  
It's the system that's failing and we are the cause of it

And it's a cancer to us both

We've been slaves for too long  
So grace be our guide

Migration's essential if we're to survive  
Grace be our guide

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