

## **Teddy Pendergrass** **"Wake Up Everybody"**

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Wake up, wake up  
You've got the power

Why don't you wake up, why don't you?  
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Why don't you wake up?

Set it off for the plan up here, we gotta stand up here  
An' give thanks to the Man upstairs  
Put the egos an' the pride to the side, regardless  
An' just be role models, parents, artists

We can make a change an' we can make it the hardest  
If you gon' make the babies, you make 'em the  
smartest  
Let 'em know good an' bad, right from wrong  
How to roll with the poachers, when life moves on

An' the stress won't take toll, if you don't sweat it  
World won't get no better, if we don't let it  
Let the negative energy ride, keep hope alive  
It's 'bout time that we opened out eyes, wake up

Wake up everybody, no more sleepin'  
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Wake up everybody, time for thinkin', thinkin'

Yep, we all best to vote  
I don't care about the guns you tote  
Listen to me like you listened to Fahrenheit 9 11  
Ain't no time for the second guessin'

The words I speak, wake up, the ones who sleep  
Now leave the ships, fix your mouth to teach  
MCs teach the kids what's peace  
They don't have to worry 'bout the police  
We make 'em rich so they don't have to thief

Every artist here on this track  
Will make a change here for young cats

This is for everybody, white or black  
You better go an' vote an' get up off your back

I ain't here to take up y'all time  
I came to shake up y'all mind, it's everybody's wake up  
call time  
I can't sleep too long while they do the people wrong  
Let's clean the world up before they sweep then gone

This is real talk, you can peep through songs  
So when you feel weak, these words will keep you  
strong  
Help make a change for the better  
It's hard for one to do it  
But we can make some change if we do it together

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Scream, "Peace", do we mean it?  
Can you feel it when we scream it out loud?  
Do you believe that we need it?  
Do you believe that it could get right?  
Do you believe that the children of the world deserve a  
good life?

Well, if you do, it's time to wake up your mind  
We can make it better an' I know it might take some  
time  
But we gotta start somewhere, how 'bout wit you an' me  
From us it goes to others, then we'll have our unity

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But they don't have so very long before their  
judgement day

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