

Tokyo Police Club "Before You Burn"

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What will it take for you to learn,
That all your actions
Are coupled with reactions?
(You might not see it now.)
You're right to hold your standards high.
But when the others just miss,
Is it right to dismiss?
(They're trying as hard as you.)

Won't you cut them a little slack
Or stand and watch them choke?
What gives you the right
To cut them down,
When they're reaching for
The same stars that you are?

[Chorus]
Tear down your walls.
You're not keeping anyone
From entering you city limits.
The tide is rushing in,
As the ocean greets your shores,
And you become an island.

What goes around
Comes back around.
Hope what you put forward
Is everything you hoped for.
(It pays ten to one in time.)
Your world revolves around your head.
And when it stops spinning,
You'll find that you've been living
(all alone, nowhere to go.)
Should I cut you a little slack
Or stand and watch you choke?
What gives you the right
To cut them down,
When they're reaching for
The same stars that you are?

[Chorus]

You'll learn as you live.
You'll get as you give.
Stop to think before you
Burn your bridges.
It's never too late
To redirect fate.
It's in your court.

What will it take for you to learn?
Just stop to think yeah,
Before you burn, you burn, you burn.

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