

Abraham

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D / C#m / E7 E7 A

A *F#m*
In the shadow of the city, In majestic halls of marble
C#m *Bm*
Sits a statue of a giant, a statue of a man
D *C#m*
He stares into the distance with gentle eyes and troubled
Bm *E7* *C#m* *C#*
He Gazes on a sad divided land

D *C#m*
Abraham, you gave your life to save a sundered nation
E7 *C#m* *C#*
Abraham, you sacrificed your sons
D *C#m*
How can I explain, (that) in return for your Devotion
Dm *E7* *A*
We've defied our better angels, To do what we have done

I dreamt I saw him walking, his cloak was patched and worn
Still he tried to shelter the hungry, old, the ill
Footsteps ever forward through thicket, and through thorn
Hounded by a horde of crows, slashing claws and bills

bridge

D *C#m*
And that flying flock of felons tearing tatters for their nests
D *C#m*
Building castles for their children, leaving nothing for the rest
D
While high above a magpie's chatter
C#m
Echoing like distant laughter
Bm *E7*
Reminding us, we have failed the test

repeat chorus

We can see the dark clouds gather, hear the thunder and the chorus
Smell the rot and taste the bitter, feel the chill that stills the bone
We must find our own way forward, Since Abraham can't lead us,
Do battle with the shadow, heal our wounded Home

Abraham, you gave your life to save a sundered nation
Abraham, you sacrificed your sons
Now we must resolve, (that) in return for your devotion
Dm *Bm* *C#m*
We'll join our better angels, To do what must be done
Dm *D* *E* *A*
Join our better angels, To fix what we have done

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