

# Gilberto Gil, Table Tennis Table

## TABLE TENNIS TABLE

Gilberto Gil

Table tennis table  
I and I  
Play to show we are able  
Not to die

Small and light white ball  
Forth and forth  
All is irie and irie is all  
Love is worth

Don't think I'm trying to make another I  
One is enough  
I'm just expanding to overstand a cry  
As well as a laugh

Don't think I'm lieing to fake another me  
One is too much  
I'm just extending the shores of my sea  
Beyond any reach, beyond any touch

See, on the opposite side as if we look on a mirror  
The other, the same  
See, on the table tennis table I'm killing the killer  
Is this me/we game

This me/we game  
This me/we game  
Oh! Me/we  
Yes, me/we  
The shortest poem in all poetry  
Oh! Me/we  
Yes, me/we  
The poem Cassius Clay declamed  
Like I and I  
The same I and I  
Identical to I and I  
The pray that rastamen proclaimed  
To say that we are never alone in this world  
Me/we, I and I  
To state that state of togetherness  
The oness that means not to die

Table tennis table  
Ping-pong, ping-pong, I and I  
Play to show we are able  
Not to die, not to die  
Small and light white ball  
Forth and forth and so forth  
All is Irie, Irie is all  
Love is worth, love is worth