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Dry forever the sun blinds off the whitewashed walls
Unbelieving she looks up from the unswept floor
You don't have to go you don't have to tell me
All that talk of lofty causes wrapped in foolish pride
That's a lie

That you don't have to tell me

I don't wanna hear how wisdom walks beside you Or how God is inside you again

No wire marks the border No fence or wall No town breaks this horizon Nothing at all

Dust surrounds her the men go hungry for disaster All they leave behind are The old and useless and the broken That never will be mended

I don't wanna hear you're captured by the madness Of ideas long discredited from other people's minds They're all lies

That you don't have to tell me

All that comes of this is poverty and hardship Still you don't absorb a word I say

But now there is a border A line of blood Now men patrol the border But they're dead

Somewhere a bird is flying Somewhere the wind is sighing I hope it brings you comfort Cos it's surely no good to me This wind blows me down and cuts me like a knife

And now the darkness and coldness That freezes out illusion Restores the picture gives back the pieces And lays them on the empty floor

I don't want to hear so you don't have to tell me How you rewrite history a little every day Till it's lies

That you don't have to tell me

I don't want to hear how good it really has been How wonderful the troubles we shared

I don't want to hear so you don't have to tell me I don't need your comfort I just need your company