

11:57

Brian McLaren

Vamp under speech: **B B A/F# A/F# A/B A/B A/G A/G**

1. We made a suicidal system and we said it was predestined.
We said the devil made us do it; we told a lot of lies.
It was a system of injustice, built on arrogance and greed.
It was an empire for the powerful, and a hell for those in need.
A suicidal system, a suicidal system.

We made a suicidal system and we turned a handsome profit,
and we made a billion guns, and made more wars to utilize them.
And we keep the poor in slums where we ignore them or despise them,
and we broadcast shows and movies to amuse & tranquilize them
in the suicidal system, the suicidal system.

B A/F# A/B A/G
Refrain: God help us, for we are trapped, stuck in this grim machine

B A/F# A/B A/G
Please free us Teach us to live in joy and peace and justice

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2. We made a suicidal system, and we pumped it full of toxin,
and we killed off lots of species and we made the world an oven.
And we built a lot of churches and we saved a lot of souls,
but we destroyed a lot of good things and our way of life was full of holes.
A suicidal system. It's a suicidal system.

We made a suicidal system that cannot be sustained.
It must be redirected and we must be retrained
to reclaim our true identity in harmony and care with saving love for everyone
to free all creatures everywhere
from the suicidal system, the suicidal system. **Refrain**

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3. We made a suicidal system, and we pray it's not too late,
but it's 11:57, so we'd best not hesitate.
It's time for a defection, to choose a new direction, to seek for reconnection,
pass through death to resurrection
from the suicidal system, the suicidal system.

There is another system, another way to go.
It's nearer than the air you breathe, it's better than you know.
It's a sacred ecosystem, it's invisible but there, it's a gentle revolution.
It's the answer to our prayer. An answer to our prayers.

B	A/F#	A/B	A/G
Refrain: God help us, for we are trapped, stuck in this grim machine			
Coda			

B	A/F#	A/B	A/G
Please free us	Teach us to live in joy and peace and justice		

B	A/F#	A/B	A/G
Dark valley,	shadows of death	Please be our shepherd	Lord

B	A/F#	A/B	A/G
Still waters,	green pastures	There we will be restored	

(Repeat Refrain Coda)

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