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MIDDLE PASSAGE

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Many, many young black men were taken from the mother land Brought to a New World to serve many masters For many generations we have been struggling to reaffirm our identities We are far away from home and one thought fills my mind

While I am gone, gone, gone Woman be strong...

Many, many brave warriors didn't even make it there
They lay at the bottom of the sea, they never got to say goodbye
Those who reached the land of the rulers were whipped until they could bleed no more
And robbed of their dignity
Nothing could stop them escaping within their minds

While I am gone, gone, gone Woman, be strong...

You think that you are having problems
Think about your history...
Many, many good people have died to make our lives much easier to bare
Don't lose your very precious life in physical confrontations
What good are you to your family with a bullet in your head

Wake-up.

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