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STORYTELLERS

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„... In Africa when an old man dies It is a whole library that burns
This song is dedicated to the oral story tellers, Gate keepers of our proud History..“

Sitting on a broken wooden chair, the old man gazes at his silence
Turns to me with great arrogance and says... I am the well you have been searching for my friend
True wisdom glowing from his eyes was carved on every wrinkle on his face
Listen carefully to what I say my son, yours must be the voice when I have gone

I cherish the grounds you walk on

Standing there her mind as clear as diamonds, recounting our unwritten History
The secrets buried in a story teller's soul were surely destined one day to be told
True wisdom glowing from her eyes was carved on every wrinkle on her face
Listen carefully to what she says my friends... Hers must be the voice when we have gone

I cherish the grounds you walk on

Lay a flower on the grave of these unknown soldiers
Who will never get to hear the tales
Terrorized, maimed and brutalized
All in the name of Tribalism
What is it we are fighting for
Institutionalized corruption and greed
What are we killing one another for
The reasons still remain unclear

I cherish the grounds you walk on

Africa I am you... Africa I am broken hearted, Africa I am so very tired of losing my family ... I long to feel
your warmth once again.

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