

# Who I Am

## Lord Laro

### LORD LARO - WHO I AM LYRICS

Civilisation began in the heart of Africa  
From Timbuktu to Ethiopia, from Egypt to Addis Ababa

I could not understand myself  
I didn't know who I am  
So I traveled the' back in the past  
In order to understand  
While searching through the years  
I saw myself as Marcus Garvey  
Trying to free my people from the bondage and slavery

They enslaved my body  
they tried to rearrange my mind  
my religion my black complexion  
all my costumes became a crime  
In my heart was rebellion  
In my soul lives a revolution  
For I cannot be what am not  
and I got to be who I am

A little lie is a white lie  
I thought was a fact  
and a big lie a black lie for my teacher taught me that  
All the angels in heaven  
all the goodness is really white  
And the devil and all the evil  
black and an all midnight

You see how  
They enslaved our bodies  
they tried to rearrange our minds  
Our religion and black complexion  
all our costumes became a crime  
In my heart was rebellion  
in my soul lives determination  
for I cannot be what am not

and I got to be who I am

I stretch forth my hands to Africa  
to restore my dignity  
As I learn my history  
i see how much they did steal from me  
but I shall not harbour hate  
and myself I shall elevate  
just like Marcus Garvey state  
and proved the black is truly great

We shall free our bodies  
we shall free our minds  
Our religion and black complexion  
Will once more become divine  
In my heart will be compassion  
for those who cause my oppression  
For I cannot be what am not  
and I got to be who I am

So black man, respec' your women, love your children  
And most of all RESPECT yourself  
And remember that black is beautiful, beautiful!

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