Perfect Circle

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A mask is easily placed
On a betrayed and broken face
A disguise to hide the past
When you mapped out my skin and made the memories lastSome things are never erased
And I have run when Ive been chased
By recollections of you and me
Falling off our homemade castleAnd even when Im walking straight
I always end up in a perfect circle
Oh, I try but I just cant wait
To break out of this perfect circleCause giving into old temptation
Is like that common twitch
Oh, the silly, stupid realization
The more you scratch the more you itchWhy am I fighting? Whats it for?
Must let my mask drop to the floor
My scars I shouldnt hide
From the people who are on my sideRolling up my sleeves to fight against
All the things I locked up, all the things I fenced
But its time to let it out
So we can build a brand new castleAnd even when Im walking straight
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