

# Slave Song

## Larry Carlton

I see them gathered, see them on the shore  
I turned to look once more  
And he who knows me not  
Takes me to the belly of darkness  
The tears run swift and hard and when they fall  
Even, even the comfort of a stone would be a gain  
There was a time when I thought  
I would have to give up  
But I'm thankful that I'm strong as I am  
And I'll try to do the best I can  
Tears run swift  
And tears will come that fall like rain  
I pray that it's swift though  
Tears will fall as cold as pain  
I pray to the Almighty  
Let me not to him do as he has unto me  
Teach my beloved children who have been enslaved  
To reach for the light continually  
So many times I prayed  
So many times I've prayed for you  
Prayed for you

The tears run swift and hard and cold as pain  
Even, even the comfort of a stone would be a gain  
Had I not the strength and wisdom of a warrior  
I would have to give up  
But I'm thankful that I'm strong as I am  
And I'll try to do the best I can  
Tears run swift  
And tears will come that fall like rain  
I pray that it's swift though  
Tears will fall as cold as pain  
I pray to the Almighty  
Let us not do as he has unto us  
Teach my beloved children, I've been a slave  
But reach for the light continually  
Wisdom is the flame  
Wisdom is the brave warrior  
Who will carry us into the sun

I pray that it's swift though  
Tears will come that fall like rain  
So many times, so many times

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