

Jaws of Life

Before Braille

I'm caught up in the jaws of life
What can heal can also tear you up inside
Writing down your own anthem
You don't like the older one
I would stand at attention for less than minimum
Wage your own forgotten wars
Trade honor for canker sores
Ghostly pride with matching tours
You're childish without the joy
I know that I said I would change
I know that I haven't changed
A shoulder to lean on and then break/brace
I'm barely breathing with my status day to day
Caught off guard by innocence
I cross my heart you influences pull you down
I swear it's not the fault of mine or of the fault of anyone
So tell me what the guilt feels like
Are you swallowed in the jaws of life
When you strip people down
you'll see how they don't need their cover
Is it clear and defined when fists from a simple conflict rise
And we turn into monsters we thought were once extinct.
(I could tell you things to shock you too)

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