You're Playing Us Too Close

Third World

Music and Lyrics by Stevie WonderJobless people starving babies spreading

over the land

More oppression to the have nots is how you

play your hand

More world fighting is the writing from those

say they know

And if that's true we know just who

you'll be picking to goBut the beat you are playing to what Jah is

saying is wrong

And we do recommend that you stop before

it's too far goneAnd I just got to say

You're playing us too closeWe in the ghettos

You're playing us too close

The jobless and the hungry

You're playing us too close

Filling up more and more with Frustration

You're playing us too close

We're losing our patienceSo take heed and do let it be known that

I've told you today

You're playing us much too close yeaAll the teaching of JAH bible you don't

want to obey

But you're writing your own ticket to the price

you will pay

Us you hold hock but the drawback is not

to us alone

Time will make you too a victim before you

see the wrongAnd the melody that you are playing is

in the wrong key

For Jah's choirs that sings out to all live

in world harmonyAnd I just got to say

You're playing us too close

We in the ghettos

You're playing us too close

Red black white brown and yellow poor people

You're playing us too close

The babies are crying

You're playing us too close

Good people are dyingSo take heed and do let it be known that

I've told you today

Jah say you're playing us much too closeNow when I was just a little boy my grandfather use to say to me, "Brother B, trust no shadow after dark... "It's not till I grew to be a man that I understand what the old brother was talking about. You see some people take the liberty to treat you any way they want to, they feel some times that you don't have no dignity. But brother fire de ah mus mus tail him think ah cool breeze, better watch out easy squeeze makes no riot my brethrenYou're playing us much too close, so why the Don't you people out there all get up off your backsides and do something for the worlds for every living boy, woman, man and girl. There's hungry people all over starving, have no place to lay their heads Huh Don't play us so close Don't play us so close Don't play us so close(Chorus during rap) Some a dem rap, none a dem a holler 'Cause Jah say all the musicians shall be there The players on instruments shall gather at His feetYou need to raise your conscious high So Jah Jah Love can rule the worldWe need to raise our conscious high So Jah Jah Love can rule the worldYou need to raise your conscious high So Jah Jah Love can rule the world(Percussion)We're gonna raise our conscious high So Jah Jah Love can rule the worldI'm gonna raise my conscious high So Jah Jah Love can rule the worldWe're gonna raise our conscious high So Jah Jah Love can rule the worldYou've gotta raise your conscious high So Jab Jah Love can rule the worldI'm gonna raise my conscious high So Jah Jah Love can rule the world

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