

# The Way It Is

## Zero Down

My father told me "Son, it's OK to have ideals,  
but beliefs against your government well that won't pay your bills.

You can raise your fists and publicly resist  
but in the end corruption still exists

And no protest song will ever change the world

When everybody does exactly as they're told

In the end every man works for what is his

You can fight the world, but that's just how it is"Your words are not meaningless to me,

And I feel their honesty but it's my life I gotta figure out for me

It's what I've always done not what I have become

and I know the consequences that'll come

And if I never reach the world or speak to people's souls

it's a passion that won't die as I grow old.

It's what I choose to do

it may not work for you but to myself I know I must be trueAnd I am not ashamed to stand right where I've  
stood.

My beliefs they are unchanged because I believe they should.

And I'll measure my success one word at a time.

If the truth is spoken will I stand the second time.

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