Beautiful City

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Out of the ruins and rubble

Out of the smoke

Out of our night of struggle

Can we see a ray of hope?

One pale thin ray reaching for the dayWe can build a beautiful city

Yes, we can; Yes, we can

We can build a beautiful city

Not a city of angels

But we can build a city of manWe may not reach the ending

But we can start

Slowly but truly mending

Brick by brick, heart by heart

Now, maybe now

We start learning howWe can build a beautiful city

Yes, we can; Yes, we can

We can build a beautiful city

Not a city of angels

But we can build a city of manWhen your trust is all but shattered

When your faith is all but killed

You can give up, bitter and battered

Or you can slowly start to buildA beautiful city

Yes, we can; Yes, we can

We can build a beautiful city

Not a city of angels

But finally a city of man.

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