

# Message From a Black Man

## The Heptones

[Melvin]

Yes, my skin is black,  
But that's no reason to hold me back.

[Eddie]

Why don't you think about it?  
Think about it, think about it, think about it,  
Think about it...  
I have wants and desires,  
Just like you.  
So move on the side,  
'Cause I'm comin' through, oh!

[Temptations]

No matter how hard you try,  
You can't stop me now.

[Eddie and Temptations]

No matter how hard you try,  
You can't stop me now, oooh...

[Melvin]

Yes, your skin is white...  
Does that make you right?

[Eddie]

Why don't you think about it?  
Think about it, think about it, think about it,  
Think about it...  
This is a message,  
A message to y'all:  
Together we stand,  
Divided we fall, oh!

[Dennis]

Black is a color,  
Just like white.  
Tell me: how can a color determine whether  
You're wrong or right?  
We all have our faults...

Yes we do.

[Eddie]  
So look in your mirror.

[Temptations]  
Look in the mirror.

[Eddie]  
What do you see?

[Temptations]  
What do you see?

[Eddie]  
Two eyes.

[Temptations]  
Two eyes.

[Eddie]  
A nose, and a mouth, just like me, oh!

[Eddie]  
Your eyes are open,  
But you refuse to see,  
The laws of society  
Were made for both you, and me.  
Because of my color,  
I struggle to be free.  
Sticks and stones,  
May break my bones,  
But in the end,  
You're gonna' see my friend, oh!

[Temptations]  
No matter how hard you try,  
You can't stop me now.

[Temptations]  
Say it loud!  
No matter how hard you try,  
You can't stop me now.

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