## Maralinga

## **Midnight Oil**

I come from a land of wide open spaces
Where the world turns around us and we just follow suit
There's heat in the air and peace reigns supreme
Got white flags on the clothes lines and the deals are newIn the wind

The ashes fly

The poison crown

The charcoal groundAnd if you can't see the smile in me

That's where I wanna beThere's only God

There's only Christ

Think I'll lie down

For just a whileAnd the grass became granite and the sky a black sheet

Our bed was a graveyard, we couldn't feel our blistered feet

And the moaning and groaning and sighing of death

And the silence that followed and the very harsh realitySo watch and check them out and listen as we learn

Throw the pearls before the swine, ebb and flow, turning tide

Yes, we watch and catch them no matter how they jump

The pigs will have to come to ground, we've got to make it happenIt's really not that new, try and make it happen now

'Cause what are we to do, maybe there's a chance for youAll around

An eerie sound

Their dreams a cloud

Their world in shroudsIn the wind

The ashes fly

Not much time

But time to tryAnd if you can't see the smile in me

That's 'cause I wanna be

I want to be here at the end

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