The Samaratin

[Verse 1]

Who am I to not see what they do to me

How can I not say what I see each day

The instruments of rebellion play

Song with lyrics of wrongs that should not be

[Chorus 1]

Stand against the tall waves

You they will not erase

The water will fall over you

But this is what we must do

[Verse 2]

I see them suffering and I see them slain

We don't help or raise our voice to complain

Nations no more, homes knocked to the floors

Fighting brother man to own him again

[Pre-Chorus 1]

Raise your voice and scream

Or take the stage and sing

Don't just walk by, do something

The Samaritan stopped and changed everything

[Chorus 2]

Stand against the tall waves

You they will not erase

The water will fall over you

But this is what we must do

[Verse 3]

My government takes our civil rights away

In the dead of the night, not in the light of day

They knock down what stands in their way

So we stay silent hoping to be okay

[Verse 4]

But border man come and arrest the dreams

They fought to come here where freedom should ring

We make a wall for our neighbors, we don't let them in

Are we dey enemy or are dey friends

[Bridge – Emotional, Full Instrumentation]

Go now to the waterfront

Barefoot tell Jah what you want

Go now protest in these streets

Till on you dey call the police

[Pre-Chorus 2 – REPRISE]

Raise your voice and scream

Or take the stage and sing

Don't just walk by, do something

The Samaritan stopped and changed everything

[Chorus Variation]

Stand tall (Stand against the waves)

Don't worry (You they won't erase)

Let the water (The water will fall over you)

Be brave (This is what we must do)

[Call & Response – Guitar + Claps, then A Cappella]

[First 2 lines: Guitar + Claps]

(Stand against the tall waves) STAND TALL

(You they will not erase) DON'T WORRY, JAH SHALL NOT BE MOVED

[Last 2 lines: A cappella + Claps only]

(The water will fall over you) LET IT POUR… LET IT POUR OVER YOU!

(But this is what we must do) BE BRAVE, MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS

[Break – Spiritual Refrain: Dolce, floating rhythm]

Whoa now... da da da-da-di, dadi dah dah

This song... it still plays in my ears

Lah dah... da da da-da-di, dadi dah dah

Still rings, we sings, we won't disappear

Whoa now ...

Whoa now,

WHOAH Now

don't be moved

[Final Verse – Soft Outro]

Now let me tell you, let me say the truth

They may silence me because that's what they do

But I am planting seeds, and you plant them too

Like bees with flowers spread it thru and thru

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[Final Chorus – Return or Fadeout] Stand against the tall waves

You they will not erase

The water will fall over you

But this is what we must do