

# The Empire Strikes First

Bad Religion

We strike first  
And we're unrehearsed  
Here we go again  
To stage the greatest show on heaven and earth  
Come on, get your money's worth

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Don't wanna give  
(Can't give)  
Don't wanna be  
(Won't be)  
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We're comin on fast  
And we're built to last  
We stumbled once in 'Nam  
Now we're glad to finally say  
Those days have passed  
Tell me how long can it last!

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We just started out  
You don't need to be afraid  
Yeah you deserve two minutes hate

Well, we spit and we cursed and our bleeding hearts burst  
But even ten million souls  
Marching in February couldn't stop the worst,  
Couldn't reverse

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I can't live  
If living isn't with you