

## Closure?

### Behind Enemy Lines

Within the sterile environment that carries out American retribution  
The threatened insist that vengeance is the only acceptable solution  
Emotions fuel the media frenzy, relentlessly searching for satisfaction  
The world's superpower, made to feel vulnerable, is now demanding action  
No one can breathe easy until he's drawn his final breath  
And taken his place amongst his victims in the company of death  
Demonized for something that our government does every single day  
But when it happens in our own backyard, you know that someone's going to pay  
Is state sanctioned murder really closure?  
Focusing on vengeance, our government will do whatever it takes  
Satisfied that this brand of justice outweighs all mistakes  
But when does an immoral act become justified  
Ignore the responsibility and a person is crucified  
By the abuse and corruption of the laws that supposedly protect  
No individual or government should have legality over death  
A life for a life, an eye for an eye, no government has the right  
To continue the cycle of violence and show it's ultimate might  
Is state sanctioned murder really closure?  
We wipe our hands clean, he got what he deserved  
In our minds we can rationalize that justice has been served  
But in reality nothing is ever really accomplished  
When justice is overshadowed by a primal need for vengeance  
Killing another person won't wash away the guilt  
Just put another victim in the house of cards the state built  
How many more lives will our government erase?  
When revenge in our legal system is commonplace  
Is state sanctioned murder really closure?  
Do you now feel safe?  
Do you now feel secure?  
Will you sleep any easier now that they've evened the score?  
Is your mind now at peace?  
Has your way of life been defended?  
Has all of the pain or just another life ended?  
Is it your desire to see another dead?  
Will it bring you closure and put your fears to bed?  
You grasp at an illusion to use as a safety net  
But what we find in the end is a nation with no self-respect  
Not only is there the illusion of safety but also the illusion of healing  
That a death sentence is going to help how the victims' loved ones are feeling  
But instead of compassion they find a murderous beast and a bloodstain  
The government can kill all they want but they can't kill the pain  
The hurt they feel can't be cured by a lethal injection  
A state sanctioned murder won't bring about resurrection  
Death cannot mend, so we only pretend  
That the cycle of violence and all the pain ends