

As I Am

Dream Theater

Don'
Tell me what's in
Tell me how to write
Don't tell me how to win
This fight
Isn't your life
It isn't your right
To take the only thing that's
Mine
Proven over time
It's over your head
Don't try to read between the
Lines
Are clearly defined
Never lose sight of
Something you believe in

Takin' in the view from the outside
Feeling like the underdog
Watching through the window I'm on the outside
Living like the underdog

I've been trying to justify you
In the end I will just defy you
To those who understand, I extend my hand

To the doubtful I demand, take me as I am
Not under your command, I know where I stand
I won't change to fit your man, Take me as I am
As I am

Still
Running uphill
Swimming against the current
I wish I weren't so
Fucked
Feels like I'm stuck
Lost in a sea of mediocrity

"Slow down,
You're thinking too much
Where is your soul?"
You cannot touch
The way I
Play
Or tell me what to say
You're in the way
Of all that I believe in

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I've been wasting my breath on you
Open minds will descend upon you
To those who understand, I extend my hand

To the doubtful I demand, take me as I am
Not under your command, I know where I stand
I won't change to fit your plan, take me as I am