

## Age of Innocence

Iron Maiden

I can't be compromising in my thoughts no more  
I can't prevent the times my anger fills my heart  
I can't be sympathyzing with a new lost cause  
I feel I've lost my patience with the world and all

And all the politicians and their hollow promises  
And all the lies, deceit and shame that goes with it  
The working man pays everything for their mistakes  
And with his life too if there was to be a war

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And we only get one life can't exchange it  
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A life of petty crime gets punished with a holiday  
The victims' minds are scarred for life most everyday  
Assailants know just how much further they can go  
They know the laws are soft conviction chances low

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You can't protect yourselves even in your own home  
For fear of vigilante cries the victims wipe their eyes  
So now the criminals they laugh right in our face  
Judicial system lets them do it, a disgrace

Despondent public worries where it all will end  
we can't protect ourselves our kids from crime the trend  
We cannot even warn each other of evil in our midst  
They have more rights than us, you cannot call that just

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