## **Red Earth**

## **New Model Army**

The rock is made of diamond, the rivers wash with gold The sun beats down in rhythm, pounding on our reason Pounding on our reason, ringing in our skulls Sometimes this land looks empty it plays so many tricks on you The soil of dried blood-sown with seed of people Overrun with armies that grow out of the earth They flow down from the mountains, sring out of the ground The shacks they all have numbers The dirt tracks run in straight lines Vanity and uselessness, the minds of prison guards Praying on a Sunday, dressed up in our finest Any god is welcome any god that will come To give back what was taken, take back what was given Blood and death and sacrifice, the curse of wasting plagne And all the beauty tainted and east of Eden cast

Children walking bare foot in the golden dust Boys with blinding eyes, perfect skin and bible names Machetes and AKs, perfect skin and bible names Machetes and AKs, perfect skin and bible names Take back what was taken, take back what was taken Take back what was taken, machetes and Aks

All the waiting, all the walking all the miles All the working in the fields and in the mines In the orchards of the rulers Bring us cure, bring us deliverance from evil From the sins of all the fathers Bring us water, bring us vengeance, bring us power Catch a sound in the dead of the nihgt The clicked triggers of security lights By the pool where the shadows stir... silent, silent Through the scented garden moving in By the waving of the skeleton trees... closer and closer and through the doors and through the walls and