

# World Leader Pretend

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I sit at my table and wage war on myself  
It seems like it's all, it's all for nothing  
I know the barricades  
And I know the mortar in the wall breaks  
I recognise the weapons, I've used them well

This is my mistake  
Let me make it good  
I raised the wall  
And I will be the one to knock it down

I've a rich understanding of my finest defences  
I proclaim that claims are left unstated  
I demand a rematch

I decree a stalemate  
I divine my deeper motives  
I recognise the weapons  
I've practised them well  
I fitted them myself

It's amazing what devices you can sympathize  
Empathise  
This is my mistake, let me make it good  
I raised the wall  
And I will be the one to knock it down

Reach out for me  
Hold me tight  
Hold that memory  
Let my machine talk to me  
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This is my world, and I am the World Leader Pretend  
This is my life, and this is my time  
I have been given the freedom to do as I see fit  
It's high time I razed the walls that I've constructed

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Empathise  
This is my mistake, let me make it good  
I raised the wall  
And I will be the one to knock it down

You fill in the mortar  
You fill in the harmony  
You fill in the mortar  
I raised the wall  
And I'm the only one  
I will be the one to knock it down