

Silhouettes above the cradle hold me down
they won't let me go the wrong way
my mother taught me all the fables, told me how
in the end all the sinners have to pay
but...

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I don't wanna let fear rule my life
and I don't wanna live like my father
I don't wanna give up before I die

He worked so hard his bones are breaking
he wore them down but long ago he lost the feeling
his good intentions leave me shaking, show me how
I don't ever want to end up like he did
and...

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When I have kids
I won't put any chains on their wrists, I won't
I'll tell them this
there's nothing in this world that you can't be if you want it
enough

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