MATERIAL GOD

- The school yard now stands empty with its dry weeds blowin' in the wind, How reminiscent of our innocent lives — but then, oh, how we sinned. The sun burns starkly, though we stumble darkly rushing ever-"there" in our haste, Yes, self-directed, but undetected all that we build turns to waste.
- Materialism, our god ever-risen we re-resurrect every day, Blind to the fact, we can't reenact the years of our lives slaved away. We earned the curses, found in the verses hidden in the pages of our mind, When things get so tough, we've finally had enough the promised blessings aren't so hard to find.

[INSTRUMENTAL INTERLUDE] *

3. Or, the blessings we can have, if we choose them it's our call to keep or to lose them, And the only price we pay is abiding by life's perfect laws every day. Now taste the blessings, unbind your wounds' dressings you can't suppress the smile on your face ! Even if you tried, you could not hide the joy that surges from this package of grace.

[HAPPY TURNAROUND]

4. Come taste the uplifting sound, new exhilaration found, the bursting of your spirit come alive ! No waste, born anew, so much fun to do in a safe space where everyone can thrive. Every time we've tried it, no one has denied it, it's proven true when put to the test. Why not keep this way of living, endless source that's ever-giving, priced at so little to invest: lay all material gods ... FOREVER ... to rest.

[INSTRUMENTAL, FADEOUT]

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^{*} With light background voices at high, eerie pitch singing, "Material god, Material god..."; and just before verse 3, state in a whisper, "Or the blessings"