## The Black Market

## **Rise Against**

A currency of heartache and sorrow The air we breathe is stale with mold To shadows we are slavesDigging deeper everyday But emptiness is growing so old Headlamps light the tunnels we wander They shimmer and they dance on the walls We're lost inside these caves As the chances of escape Grow slimmer til there's no chance at all This ink it travels from the page Up my hand into my veins Choking on the stories I've told If there are words here left to say I just wanna let you know I'm falling on my knees right now I'm covered in the mess I made These colors used to wash right outBut now they are a part of me I've been searching for a remedy When all along it's been in front of me I need you here I need you nowRight now We traffic in the blackest of markets

I need you nowRight now
We traffic in the blackest of markets
Trade misery like diamonds and gold
The angst that we exchange
For applause and petty praise
Is finally now taking its toll

But there's a world above the ground

A life that we can lead

We're washing off the dirt from our clothes

I don't wanna live without

No I just wanna let you know

I'm falling on my knees right now

I'm covered in the mess I madeThese colors used to wash right out

But now they are a part of me

I've been searching for a remedy

And all along its been in front of me

I need you here

I need you now

Right now

Right now

Black stains

They mark me like a letter

Don't fade

Cracking under the pressure
Black stains
Nothing stays gold
There's a world above the ground
A life that we can lead
But we're lost deep down in these holes
And I have seen the way out
Now I just wanna let you know
I'm falling on my knees right now
I'm covered in the mess I made
These colors used to wash right out
But now they are a part of me
I've been searching for a remedy
When all along it's been in front of me
Your voice it washed the stains away

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