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## The Living Years

Robertson/Rutherford

Every generation, blames the one before  
 And all of their frustrations, come beating on your door  
 I know that I?m a prisoner. To all my father held so dear  
 I know that I?m a hostage to all his hopes and fears  
 I just wish I could have told him in the living years

No crumpled bits of paper  
 Filled with imperfect thoughts  
 Stilted conversations, I?m afraid that?s all we?ve got  
 You say you just don?t see it, he says its perfect sense  
 You just can?t get agreement, in this present tense  
 We all talk a different language, talking in defence

Say it loud (say it loud)  
 Say it clear (oh say it clear)  
 You can listen as well as you hear (as well as you hear)  
 It?s too late (its too late)  
 When we die (ooh when we die)  
 To admit we don?t see eye to eye (we don?t see eye to eye)

So we open up a quarrel  
 Between the present and the past  
 We only sacrifice the future  
 And it?s the bitterness that lasts  
 So don?t yield to the fortunes  
 Sometimes see is fate  
 It may have a new perspective on a different date  
 And if you don?t give up and don?t give in you may just be ok

(So say it say it say it loud)  
 Say it loud  
 Say it clear (oh oo say it clear)  
 You can listen as well as you hear (as well as you hear )  
 (Because it?s too late its too late)  
 It?s too late when we die (oh when we die)  
 To admit we don?t see eye to eye (we don?t see eye to eye)

I wasn?t there that morning  
 When my father passed away  
 I didn?t get to tell him all the things I had to say  
 I think I caught his spirit later that same year  
 I?m sure I heard his echo in my baby?s newborn tears  
 I just, wish I could have told him in the living years  
 (So say it say it say it loud)  
 Say it loud  
 Say it clear (come on say it clear)  
 You can listen as well as you hear (as well as you hear yeah)  
 (Because it?s too late)  
 It?s too late when we die (its too late when we die)  
 To admit we don?t see eye to eye (we don?t see eye to eye)

(Hey So say it say it say it loud)  
Say it loud  
Say it clear (oh oo say it clear)  
You can listen as well as you hear (as well as you hear)  
(Because it's too late)  
It's too late when we die (oh when we die)  
To admit we don't see eye to eye (we don't see eye to eye)

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