

# Aretha Franklin Feat. Mary J. Blige and The Harlem

My Lord, I have read this book so many times  
But nowhere can I find the page that says  
What I experienced today has any grace  
Now I know that life is meant to be hard  
That's how I learned to appreciate my God  
Though my courage may be tried, I can tell you I won't hide  
Because the footprints show you were by my side  
You can lie to a child with a smiling face  
Tell me that color ain't about a race  
You can cast the first stone, you can break my bones  
But you never gonna break, you never gonna break my faith  
Faith and hope ain't yours to give  
Truth and liberty are mine to live  
Steal a crown from a king, break an angels wings  
But you never gonna break, you never gonna break my faith  
My Lord, won't you help them, help them, help them to understand  
That when someone takes the life of an innocent man  
Well, they never really won because all they've really done  
Is set the soul free where it's supposed to be  
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For those we lose before their time  
I pray their souls will find the light  
I know that the day will surely come  
When his will, his will, will be done  
Yes, it will, alright  
Never gonna break my faith  
Never gonna break my faith  
You never gonna break my faith