

# Brendan James, Hero's Song

Here I am  
In the desert again  
A compass and a weapon  
A lost American

I started out with a simple plan  
And a locket in my hand  
But the sun is so unforgiving  
And the wind so hard to stand

Fall out, fall out  
With the rest of your brothers  
With the rest of your sisters  
Heroes on the line

Carry out what your leader says  
For what his leader says  
Is that his leader says  
This is right for the people

No one will ever understand what  
Thousands of beautiful healthy young statues must fall  
Smoke and explosions surround me  
A flood of hate, it drowns me  
I cannot live this way  
No I cannot live with  
Doubt and confusion  
They find me  
They run up right behind me  
I cannot die this way  
No, I cannot die this way

In the water, in the sand  
Is the blood of a culture  
Is the blood of an ancient people  
In whose holy war I stand

I hear the world like a cannon roar  
Say I can win this war  
I promise them this  
Isn't what I signed up for

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I cannot die this way  
No, I will not die this way