

“Letters from Hell”

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[Verse 1]

Dear family
You have all that is left of me
If I don't make it out alive
Please know I tried
To keep the hope inside your eyes

Dear lover
Oh, I could never have another
You have given me your life
So much Goddamn sacrifice
In this fire, you're my ice

Dear doctor
What have you left to offer
When did you lose your curiosity for curing
me
You hung up your white coat quickly in
defeat

Dear neighbor
Can I ask you one small favor
Could you follow the golden rule
Your willful ignorance is cruel
This could happen to you too

[Chorus 1]

I've lost track of all I've lost
I'll grieve as long as I can breathe
Still there is so much left to lose of me
Oh mend me please, please, please

[Verse 2]

Dear God
Why have you left me here to rot
I could scream until my throat is raw
My jaw goes slack
You lost my faith, and I want it back
You must see your mistake
I could do good work all my days
Instead of burning in these flames

Dear Lucifer

Pleasure to meet you in this crucible
I see now how it's credible
Your bid for power
Since God disappeared at my darkest hour
You're well known for making deals
I'd kneel for you if you would heal me
And let me out of here

[Chorus 1]

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Still there is so much left to lose of me
Oh mend me please, please, please

[Verse 3]

Dear patient oracles
You sent so many warning signs
I was waiting for a miracle
It didn't come; I didn't heed them in time

Now my fate is intertwined with yours
In this darkness we wander through
Still, there's a light in us we can't ignore
Let it shimmer while I rest with you
Let my tears glisten next to you
Let me spark some unrest with you

If I make it out of this Hell
And climb back up the wishing well
I'll throw down a coin time and again
'Til you're all topside with me, my friends

[Chorus 2]

We've lost track of all we've lost
We'll grieve as long as we can breathe
There is no way to count the cost
Still, there's so much left to gain for you and
me
Yours sincerely
Oh mend us please, please, please