



Cécile
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Anybody Listening Part 2
Dialogues

I consider everyone appearing on this album FAMILY.
Soul crushes that grow even deeper and stronger with time.
To have you bless this recording makes every part of my being smile.
Nothing but love for each and every one of you.
Cheers, y'all!

To the Harem: thank you for being the best partners in crime a girl could ask for, whether in studio or live. Some of you are on the recording, others aren't, but all of you are a part of this album, and all of you have made me a better person and musician.

Cheers!

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Y'all make it worth while.

I dedicate this album to you. Thanks for listening!

RIOT & REVOLUTION

People are getting angry
 They're taking to the streets
 Going to stake their claim
 By any means necessary
 People have grown tired
 Tired of being abused
 Rob them of their decency
 They ain't got nothin' to lose

Riot & revolution
 Looks like that change is gonna come

Demand: the right to water
 Demand: the right to food
 Demand: the right to healthcare
 Demand: the right to school
 Demand: free elections
 Demand: freedom of speech
 Demand: the right to worship whom and if they please

chorus

*You have ruled too long
 Have done too little too late
 Now your reign is done
 It's time to expiate
 Better pray for their mercy
 Better pray they forgive
 Maybe if you're lucky
 They might let you live*

chorus

No more raping women as strategy of war
 No more killing children so they won't settle the score
 No more usurpation, it's time to ring the bell
 Judgement day has come for you
 You're going straight to hell

SWEET TALKIN' DEVIL

Temptation calling in her sexy voice sweet and low
 So sweet to the taste so hard to say no
 Temperature rising, breaking out in a cold sweat
 Weak from a hunger I try so hard not to whet

Sweet talkin' devil whisperin' in my ear
 Don't fight what you like just give in, Dear
 Sweet talking devil whisperin' in my ear
 Lord help me stay strong and steer clear

Every day's a struggle as I try to walk a straight line
 Seems that I'm tripping half the time
 I feel my darkness wrap my morals in chains
 Knock my conscience unconscious
 So I can taste that thrill again

ANYBODY LISTENING

Living in a city full of people
 Everybody's lonely as lonely be
 'Cause in this here city full of people
 No one's really getting what they truly need

So the world keeps going round
 When the world has run you down
 Your heart may be bleeding
 Your soul may be screaming
 No one will hear a sound
 The world keeps going down
 Takes you in the fire
 Even when you holler

Is anybody listening
 Does anybody even hear
 Is anybody even there
 Does anybody even care

Living in a house full of people
 Everyone's estranged as estranged can be
 'Cause in this here house full of people
 No one wants to see what everyone can see

So the world keeps going round
 When her world has run her down
 Her heart may be bleeding
 Her soul may be screaming
 No one will hear a sound
 Her world keeps going down
 Takes her in the fire
 Even when she hollers

chorus

*So many people,
 So little touch
 So many bubbles
 Just waiting to be burst
 So many voices
 Just waiting to be heard*

Lying in a bed full of people
 Everybody's selfish as selfish be
 'Cause in this here bed full of people
 No one wants to give you what you truly need
 (We all need some love)

So the world keeps going round
 When our worlds have run us down
 Our hearts may be bleeding
 Our souls may be screaming
 No one will hear a sound
 Our worlds keep going down
 Take us in the fire
 Even when we holler

LITTLE BIT

I asked my Mama for her recipe
 For living a healthy life long and happy
 She said: "C, girl, it isn't brain surgery.
 All you gotta do is remember life's a-b-c's:

A little bit of moonshine
 A little bit of grub
 A little bit of good time
 And a whole lotta love

I asked my Daddy for his remedy
 For keeping this crazy world from making him angry
 He said: "C, girl, I've learned to let it be
 And I always make sure I keep a little time for me"

chorus

*The glass'll be half full if you drink it half empty
 Soul food always sets the mind at ease
 A little bit of laughter can chase your blues away
 A little bit of lovin' always brightens up the day*

chorus

I asked my brother to tutor me 'cause
 Some sweet special lady's been driving me crazy
 He said: "C, girl, you can't be no honey bee
 If you wanna pick that flower this is what you'll need"

SIX LETTERS

Six letters that'll make you smile
 When you're joking with your friends
 Six letters spelt from an evil
 I will never comprehend

Black boy in the wrong neighbourhood
 Stand your ground
 Wearing a hoodie must be up to no good
 Stand your ground
 Track him like an animal
 Yank his chain
 Stand your ground
 Make sure he drowns in a bloody stain
 Stand your ground
 Shoot him down

chorus

Black man tryin' to plead his case
 Take him down
 Four cops keen to put him in his place
 Take him down
 Man's got asthma
 Says he can't breathe
 Take him down

Six feet under fell to his knees
 Take him down
 Choke him down

chorus

*Wrong place, wrong time
 Wrong doings, wrong minds
 Jim Crow's legacy prevails
 Slavery's abolished
 People are still enslaved
 Laws don't change mentalities
 Just how the game is played*

It's not about justice
 It's not about peace
 It's not about self-defense
 It's all about greed

THANKFUL

I've got shelter, even got a bed
 Got running water and I never go unfed
 That's more than most so
 Who the hell am I to complain
 I live in a country stable and at peace
 Where I can voice all my griefs and beliefs
 How many people are denied
 Their right to freedom of speech

I won't take for granted the good things in life
 That lessen my burden & help shine my light

Today I'm simply happy to be alive
 Easy or troubled times
 I'm thankful
 Today I'm simply happy to be alive
 Family, friends for which I am thankful
 I'm thankful
 For the love they make me feel
 For the wounds they help me heal
 'Cause inner peace or strife
 All in all
 I got a good life

I can sit in the front of the bus
 I've got an education denied most of us
 I have the right to choose
 The right to say no
 To unwanted touch
 I don't keep up with the Joneses
 "Cause I'm running a different race
 And I'm surrounded by people
 Who make sure I finish mine in first place

So I won't take for granted the good things in life
 That lessen my burden & help shine my light



PURE ENTERTAINMENT

Ask me how I'm doing
I'll say I'm doing fine
"cause you don't really care
About my state of mind
Background to debauchery
Soundtrack to a screw
You're not here for me
I am here for you

Bodies writhe
Quenching solitude
Lonely on the stage but feeling gratitude

I'm pure entertainment
That you borrow to fill the space
Pure entertainment
You devour but cannot taste
Pure entertainment
To get you through the night
But you never pay the price
Like or dislike

Tame me with a bottle
Choke me on a line
Drown me in your rhythm
Lose in my time
Spin me in confusion
To dull the needle prick
I sought to be magician but
Ended up a trick

I danced to your cattle call
Eyes shut didn't feel the fall
Couldn't show you tears
I had to stand tall
Starving for a hand from you
To back beat away the blues
Bowling out of shame still feeling gratitude

ANIMAL KINGDOM

There's a place on the island
Where the sun always shines
Where the booze is cheap and
The eye candy mighty fine
Where the cougar is queen
She feeds on lion cubs
Don't look into her eyes
When she comes up to rub a dub
Rub-a-dub

Welcome to the Animal Kingdom
Un zoo la nuit where you're always welcome

There's a place on the island
Where the sun always shines

Where the music played transcends
All space & time
Where the groove is infectious
The dancing ever raw
No matter where you from
If you party, you belong

chorus

There's a place on the island
Where the sun always shines
An all inclusive getaway
From your 9 to 5
Where they only want you 'cause
They can't pronounce your name
Black, Asian, Latin
Jungle lovin' is
The name of the game

chorus

When you give in to the beat, you're an animal
When you give in to the heat, you're an animal
When you get a little piece, you're an animal
When you finally get release, you're an animal

BLOODSTAINED VODKA

Drink a shot of bloodstained vodka
For every fag who wins gold
Drink a shot
For every dyke who brings one home

Seems Mighty Dollar's worth beating a man to a pulp
Mighty Dollar's worth raping a woman to the bone
So long as The Man gets paid
He'll turn a blind eye to what's going on

chorus

Pussy had a riot, Pussy got locked up in the hole
Pussy caused a riot, Pussy got locked up in the hole
But The Man wanted to look good getting paid
So he let ole Pussy Riot go

FAITH

Preaching hatred is the modern day prophet
Passing ignorance as faith
Stirring violence in the meek and weak-minded
Fellowship devoid of grace

Promises, promises of a better afterlife
For wreaking havoc now and here
They'll take a life 'cause they lack the words to argue
But murder doesn't kill ideas nor fears

How many beatings make you righteous
How many killings make a saint
How much blood is a testament of faith

Execrating glorification of a God of love
Desecration passed as purification
Through sermons and law
Convenient oversights of the new covenant
Surely goodness and mercy don't apply to
Marginals and dissidents

chorus

Psalmody of venom
Homely of fear
Scalping fake salvation
"Armageddon is near"

SUNSHINE LADY

I'll treat you like a lady
Defend you like The Tramp
Trust you like an infant
Seduce you like a vamp
My heart is on a platter
My body's on your stove
Let me feed your hunger
Swallow me whole

You're my Sunshine Lady
So warm, bright and bold
You and me that's all I see
Beyond the age of old
Sunshine Lady
I'm blessed to see
Nothing in life is sweeter than
The love you've given me

Your arms are guardian angels
That nurture, heal, embrace
Your body is a temple
Where I worship every day
Your eyes to me are Eden
Your voice to me is psalm
You're my one and only
To you only I belong

chorus

When you hold me
You turn to beauty my beast
When you hold me
Body and soul are at peace
When you hold me
I feel I can do no wrong
When you hold me
My will to live is strong
You're the chorus to my song

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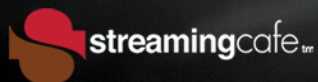
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Soul is what you put in



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