

The Great Mandala
Peter, Paul & Mary

key of A

verse

F#m/A F#m/A F#m/D F#m/E F#m/A F#m/A F#m/D F#m/E F#m/A

So i told him that he'd better shut his mouth and do his job like a man

and he answered, "listen father,

F#m/A F#m/A F#m/D F#m/E F#m/A F#m/A F#m/D F#m/E F#m/A

i will never kill another he thinks he's better than his brother that died

what the hell does he think he is doing to his father

that brought him up right

chorus

take your place on the great mandala

as it moves through the brief moment of time

win or lose now you must choose now

if you lose, you're only losing your life

verse

F#m/A F#m/A F#m/D F#m/E F#m/A F#m/A F#m/D F#m/E F#m/A

tell the jailer not to bother with his meal of bread and water today

he is fasting 'til the killing's over

F#m/A F#m/A F#m/D F#m/E F#m/A F#m/A F#m/D F#m/E F#m/A

he's a martyr, he thinks he's a prophet but he's a coward, he's just playing a game

he can't do it, he can't change things

it's been going on for ten thousand years.

Chorus

F#m/A F#m/A F#m/D F#m/E F#m/A F#m/A F#m/D F#m/E F#m/A

tell the people they are safe now. hunger stopped him, he lies still in his cell

death has gagged his accusations

F#m/A F#m/A F#m/D F#m/E F#m/A F#m/A F#m/D F#m/E F#m/A

we are free now, we can kill now, we can hate now now we can end the world.

F# G

we're not guilty, he was crazy

E7

A

it's been going on for ten thousand years.

Chorus

