

Ms. Third Ward, your first question  
What is your aspiration in life?  
Oh, well, my aspiration in life would be  
To be happy

Mama said: You're a pretty girl  
What's in your head, it doesn't matter  
Brush your hair, fix your teeth  
What you wear is all that matters

Just another stage  
Pageant the pain away  
This time I'm gonna take the crown  
Without falling down, down, down

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We shine the light on whatever's worst  
Perfection is a disease of a nation  
(Pretty hurts, pretty hurts)  
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You're tryna fix something  
But you can't fix what you can't see  
It's the soul that needs a surgery

Blonder hair, flat chest  
TV says bigger is better  
South beach, sugar free  
Vogue says thinner is better

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Ain't got no doctor or pill that can take the pain away  
The pain's inside and nobody frees you from your body  
It's my soul, it's my soul that needs surgery  
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Plastic smiles and denial can only take you so far  
Then you break when the fake façade leaves you in the dark  
You left with shattered mirrors and the shards of a beautiful past

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When you're alone all by yourself  
(Pretty hurts, pretty hurts)  
And you're lying in your bed  
(Pretty hurts, pretty hurts)

Reflection stares right into you  
(Pretty hurts, pretty hurts)  
Are you happy with yourself?  
(Pretty hurts, pretty hurts)  
You stripped away the masquerade  
(Pretty hurts, pretty hurts)  
The illusion has been shed  
(Pretty hurts, pretty hurts)  
Are you happy with yourself?  
(Pretty hurts, pretty hurts)  
Are you happy with yourself?  
(Pretty hurts, pretty hurts)

Yeah, yes  
Ah-ah, ah