

**The Shame  
Levellers**

[Intro]

**G**

[Verse 1]

**G**

A million times I've looked at the tides

**G**

Never before found myself blinded

**Em**

**G**

By the cold burning tears of anger and pity and shame

**G**

Lying before me is a tiny young life

**G**

Hated by years of hatred and crime

**Em**

**G**

Killed by indifferent, fanatic religious divides

[Verse 2]

**G**

They crept out of hiding and ran for their lives

**G**

Too young for the fighting, too young to take sides

**Em**

**G**

They're hope for the future washed up there in the brine

**G**

It's important to know that the waters they choked in

**G**

Were international, they'd pinned all their hopes

**Em**

**G**

Rumours of Eden, the promise of freedom we gave

[Verse 3]

**Am**

**D**

But the you door left open you slammed in their face

**Am**

**D**

Now full of self-loathing this common disgrace

**Am**

**D**

**G**

As a world we did nothing and silently let them die

**Am**

**D**

So tell me my friends does the future look rosy?

**G**

**Em**

Do you sleep well in bed, safe warm and cosy?

**Am**

**D**

**G**

Do you hope someone finds a solution overnight?

**Am**

**D**

And tell me again how history repeats

**G**

**Em**

How we can learn from all our mistakes

**Am**

**D**

**G**

How you'd like to help, but sadly your hands are tied

[Instrumental]

**G G Em G**

[Verse 4]

**Am**

**D**

With racists and bigots running countries and business

**Am**

**D**

No real religions just misguided misfits

**Am**

**D**

**G**

Business as usual, towing the party line

**Am**

**D**

How proud you must feel when you're cutting your deals

**Am**

**D**

With arms manufacturer's greasing the wheels

**Am**

**D**

**G**

Selling bullets and bombs to the men with the guns taking lives

**Am**

**D**

So tell me my friend does the future look rosy?

**G**

**Em**

Do you sleep well in bed, safe warm and cosy?

**Am**

**D**

**G**

Do you hope someone finds a solution overnight?

[Outro]

**Am**

**D**

Tell me again how history repeats

**G**

**Em**

How we could learn from all our mistakes

**Am**

**D**

**G**

How you'd like to help, but sadly you haven't the time