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# Open Letter to Black Community

**Stand**

**In the end you'll still be you  
One that's done all you set out to do**

**Stand**

**There's a cross for you to bear  
Things to go through if you're going anywhere**

**Stand**

**For the things you know are right  
It's the truth that makes them so uptight**

**Stand**

**All the things you want are real  
You have to complete and there is no deal**

**Stand**

**You've been sitting much too long  
There's a permanent crease in your right and wrong**

**Stand**

**There's a midget standing tall  
And a giant beside him about to fall**

**Stand**

**They will try to make you crawl  
And they know what you're saying makes sense and all**

**Stand**

**Don't you know that you are free  
Well at least in your mind if you want to be**

**Everybody**

**Stand Stand Stand**

**Sly and the Family Stone**

**Thank you for having the courage to stand with us, for in so doing  
you renewed our strength. We are a powerful people when we come  
together; but let us not forget that the struggle has just begun.**

**Eileen Cave  
Monica Hargrove  
Judi Redding**

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