

Mercy Said No

Cast

Boy
Jesus
God
Satan
Crowd (4 people)

I was just a child when I felt the Savior leading
I was drawn to what I could not understand
And for the cause of Christ, I have spent my days believing
He walks on stage, Jesus meets him and starts explaining.

That what He'd have me be is who I am
Jesus leaves, Satan enters in and starts talking to Boy

As I've come see the weaker side of me
I've realized his grace [cuts to black] is what I need
Boy is tempted by Satan, sins
When sin demanded justice for my soul
lights up on others side of stage, boy sitting in judgment seat before God. God was sitting behind desk (stage right) across the table, the boy sits in shame. Devil is arguing with Jesus over the boy's scene
(CHORUS)

Mercy said no
Jesus pushes his way between Satan and God
I'm not gonna let you go
Motioning to God/boy
I'm not gonna let you slip away
You don't have to be afraid
Jesus explains that he died for the boy
Mercy said no
Jesus goes to comfort boy, ignores Satan
Sin will never take control
Life and death stood face to face
Darkness tried to steal my heart away
Satan has been bothering Jesus while he's talking with God. Satan is trying to argue, trying to make his case. Jesus turns to face Satan and stares him down. Lights fade out.
Thank you Jesus
Mercy said no

Jesus was performing miracles. Satan went to compel the boy to grab Jesus and nail him to the cross. Satan knocks him down.
For God so loved the world that He sent His Son to save us
From the cross He built a bridge to set us free
Oh but deep within our hearts there is still a war that rages
And makes the sacrifice so hard to see
Boy falls down and realizes what he's done

*Lights Flash. Satan knocks Jesus down from a standing T position
As midnight fell on crucifixion day
Frozen red for a couple seconds
The light of hope seemed oh so far away
Jesus starts to get back up, Satan freaks out and tries to choke Jesus
And as evil tried to stop redemptions' flow*

*Lights go bright white. Jesus starts to get back up, overcomes Satan. Jesus turns and shoves Satan off. He goes cowering away.
Boy still doesn't know what's going on. He's still cowering down, feeling terrible. During the Chorus, Jesus goes and helps the boy up, showing him that he died, that he's overcome
Second Mercy Said No
Lights come up on the court scene. Same as chorus one, except this time there are two extra white robes. Stare down, Satan cowers more and more to the other side of the boy.*

(CHORUS)

BRIDGE

He turns and starts offering the white robe to the boy. Satan does everything he can to stop the boy from accepting. He won't get between the boy and Jesus. He's scared. Boy takes the robe, Jesus picks him up gives him the robe. He walks behind God. At this point, Satan starts to slink off stage, Jesus walks over, grabs Satan by the back of his neck and throws him down in the chair. Jesus offers him a white robe. Jesus and God are trying to give Satan the robe, he will not accept it. They reject him, turn away from him and he slinks off. Jesus and God turn to boy, welcome him, hug him. Jesus takes the robe and Jesus offers it to crowd.

*And now when heaven looks at me
It's through the blood of Jesus
Reminding me of one day long ago*

(CHORUS)