Authority Song

Words & Music: John Mellencamp

A D E [basic vamp riff for entire song]

They like to get you in a compromising position. They like to get you with a smile on your face. Oh, they think you're so cute when they got in that condition. Well, I think it's a total disgrace, and I say:

CHORUS:

I fight authority, authority always wins. Well I fight authority, authority always wins. Well I've been doing it since I was a young kid and I come out grinning. Well I fight authority, authority always wins.

Call my preacher I said give me strength for round five. He said you don't need no strength you need to grow up son. I said growing up leads to growing old and then to dying. And dying to me don't sound like all that much fun, and so I say.

CHORUS:

I say, "Oh, no! No, no! Oh, no! No, no! Oh, no! No, no! Oh, no! No, no!"

CHORUS: [2x - first time a capella + claps, second time with chords]