

Stand Up For America

(lyrics to song by James M. Cooper -- © 2003, rev. 2024)

*It's time to stand up for America
and show the world that we are really free.
It's time to repeat the great words of liberty
and pledge that they will never cease to be.*

We say all people are created equal,
so we should make sure that's the way we really live;
to each one the same opportunity,
that right of freedom we must always give.

We say we have the right to speak out freely
and that we guarantee a press that's truly free.
So what they believe, we must let them say,
and let them speak although we disagree.

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We say that people have the right to gather
for any reason to together stand in peace,
so stand up for what you believe is right
and gather so your freedoms never cease.

We say someone accused has rights we'll honor
and they deserve to get due process of the law,
no cruel or unusual punishment;
and we must never stop these rights for all.

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We haven't always given all these freedoms
to ev'ry person who has lived upon this land;
so to those who have been disadvantaged,
it's time to say we now will lend a hand.

We speak of life and liberty and also
we speak of the pursuit of happiness for all;
so we must make sure that these words are true
and live them so this nation will not fall.

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