Better For Us

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Soon we'll count the rings inside all one by one
Wondering if I could point to the place
Where we first slept 'neath it's branches
Oh ohLeaves once rose like an ocean we swam when we were boys
This one was all things a mansion a fortress
And as we matured it was shade for
The secrets that we passed alongBut this oak has grown old wither-wrung

It threatens to fall

Better for us if the axe splits the trunk they sayOn your tip toes a ten-penny nail jutting high in the bark Relics of tree houses built and torn down

Places we hid after dark oh

Oh ohPlease please lend some belief to this hard wasted ground

Where little green soldiers and indians fought

This is the burial mound of

My youth and my innocence This oak has grown old wither-wrung

It threatens to fall

Better for us if the axe splits the trunk they sayOh oh ohBetter for us

Better for us Better for us

Better for us yeah

Better for us

Better for usOh oh oh

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