Masters of War

The Staple Singers

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Come you masters of war
               You that build the big guns
             You that build the death planes
              You that build all the bombs
               You that hide behind walls
               You that hide behind desks
                 I just want you to know
I can see through your masks. You that never done nothin'
                  But build to destroy
                You play with my world
                 Like it's your little toy
               You put a gun in my hand
               And you hide from my eyes
              And you turn and run farther
                When the fast bullets fly.
                    Like Judas of old
                  You lie and deceive
                A world war can be won
                 You want me to believe
               But I see through your eyes
              And I see through your brain
              Like I see through the water
   That runs down my drain. You fasten all the triggers
                  For the others to fire
              Then you set back and watch
            When the death count gets higher
               You hide in your mansion'
                As young people's blood
                Flows out of their bodies
                And is buried in the mud.
              You've thrown the worst fear
                 That can ever be hurled
                 Fear to bring children
                     Into the world
                For threatening my baby
                  Unborn and unnamed
               You ain't worth the blood
      That runs in your veins. How much do I know
                   To talk out of turn
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You might say that I'm young You might say I'm unlearned But there's one thing I know Though I'm younger than you That even Jesus would never Forgive what you do.Let me ask you one question Is your money that good Will it buy you forgiveness Do you think that it could I think you will find When your death takes its toll All the money you made Will never buy back your soul.And I hope that you die And your death'll come soon I will follow your casket In the pale afternoon And I'll watch while you're lowered Down to your deathbed And I'll stand over your grave 'Til I'm sure that you're dead. Song Discussions is protected by U.S. Patent 9401941. Other patents pending.

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