

# Poison In the Well

## 10,000 Maniacs

Tell me what's gone wrong?  
I tilt my head there, under the faucet when I turn it on  
Dry as paper, call the neighbors  
Who's to blame for what's going on?  
In the dark without a clue I'm just the same as you  
Oh, they tell us there's poison here in the well  
That someone's been a bit untidy and there's been a small spill  
Not a lot, no, just a drop, there you are mistaken you know you are  
I wonder just how long they knew our well was poisoned  
But they let us just drink on  
Oh, they tell us there's here poison in the well  
That someone's been a bit untidy that there's been a small spill  
And all that it amounts to is a tear in a salted sea  
That someone's been a bit untidy they'll have it cleaned up in a week  
But the week is over and now it's grown  
into years  
Since, I was told that I should be calm, there's nothing to fear here  
But, I drank that water for years, my wife and my children  
So, tell me, where to now  
If your fight for a bearable life can be fought and lost in your backyard?  
Oh, don't tell us there's poison here in  
the well  
That someone's been a bit untidy, that there's been a small spill  
All that it amounts to is a tear in a salted sea  
That someone's been a bit untidy, they'll have it cleaned up in a week

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