

# How Deep Is the Red

Elvis Costello

Is this is not a pretty tale? Is this not a riddle?  
A bow shoots arrows through the air  
A bow drags notes from a fiddle  
But who is the beau of a young girl's heart?  
That a king may send to battle Is this not a pretty tale? Is this not a riddle?  
If red is the breast of a soldier's tunic  
Hung with a silver medal  
And red is the thorn that protects the rose  
A deeper red than the petal How deep is the red our Redeemer bled?  
The debt of our sins to settle?  
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