The Temptation of Adam (30 Days, 30 Songs)[Live]

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If this was the cold war we could keep each other warm

I said on the first occasion that I met Marie

We were crawling through the hatch that was the missile silo door

And I don't think that she really thought that much of meI never had to learn to love her like I learned to love the bomb

She just came along and started to ignore me

But as we waited for the big one and I started singing her my songs

And I think she started feeling something for meWe passed the time with crosswords that she thought to bring inside

?What five letters spell apocalypse??, she asked me

I won her over saying WWIII

Oh, we smiled and we both knew that she misjudged meOh Marie, it was so easy to fall in love with you It felt almost like a home of sorts or something

And you would keep the warhead missile silo good as new

And I watched you with my thumb above the buttonThen one night you found me in my army issue cot And you told me of your flash of inspiration

You said, "Fusion was the broken heart that's lonely's only thought"

And all night long you drove me wild with your equationsOh Marie, do you remember all the time we used to

take

Making love and then ransack the rations

I think about you leaving now in the avalanche cascades

And my eyes get washed away in chain reactionsOh Marie, if you would stay and we could stick pins in the map

Of all the places where you thought that love would be found

And I would only need one pin to show where my love is at

In a top secret location three hundred feet under the groundOh, we could hold each other close, stay up every night

Looking up into the dark like it's the night sky

Pretend this giant missile is a old oak tree instead

Carve our name in hearts into the warheadOh Marie, there's something tells me things just won't work out above

That our love would live a half life on the surface

So at night while you are sleeping, I hold you closer just because

As our time grows short I get a little nervousSo I think about the big one, WWIII

Would we ever really care, the world had ended?

You could hold me here forever like you're holding me tonight

I think about that big red button and I'm tempted

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