## **Armor and Sword**

## Rush

The snakes and arrows a child is heir to

Are enough to leave a thousand cuts

We build our defenses, a place of safety

And leave the darker places unexploredSometimes the fortress is too strong

Or the love is too weak

What should have been our armor

Becomes a sharp and angry swordOur better natures seek elevation

A refuge for the coming night

No one gets to their heaven without a fight

No oneWe hold beliefs as a consolation

A way to take us out of ourselves

Meditation or medication

A comfort, or a promised rewardSometimes the spirit is too strong

Or the flesh is too weak

Sometimes the need is just too great

For the solace we seekThe suit of shining armor

Becomes a keen and bloody sword

No one gets to their heaven without a fightA refuge for the coming night

A future of eternal light

No one gets to their heaven without a fight

No oneConfused alarms of struggle and flight

Blood is drained of color

By the flashes of artillery light

No one gets to their heaven without a fightThe battle flags are flown

At the feet of a god unknown

No one gets to their heaven, heavenNo one gets to their heaven without a fightSometimes the damage is too

great

Or the will is too weak

What should have been our armor

Becomes a sharp and burning swordNo one gets to their heaven without a fight

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