I Asked When

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Well, I dreamed I went out wandering
I heard promises become fables forgotten
I saw bridges stretching out across the water
And towers pushing taller
I knew my reality was clearly defined
By the fences put up around my mind
I watched them thicken into walls over time
Taller than any borderline
I saw civilizations deemed insignificant
I saw people?s history tattooed upon their skin
I saw families taken from their land
Dynasty shattered and stolen
And I asked when is the revolution
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And all the burdens the centuries accrue
That get passed along to every generations youth
And all the allegories told in lewd truth
I watched them grow wild and spread like a flu
I saw the rise of an untamed industry
And I watched machines print a paper economy
I saw my own self stand right in front of me
And I didn?t do a thing
I saw poisons pushed in the street

And prescription pills mingling in the mezzanine
With a whole wealth of doctors and pharmaceutical companies
Still poor people were dying from disease
And I asked when is the revolution
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And I broke down at the break of dawn
And saw looming in the clouds above the Pentagon
As he re-lives the holocaust as strong as the parkin' on
Visions [Incomprehensible] Vietnam
And I stood silent upon the flooded levee
Stared at the ruins of a merchant city
And the president who came to dine with the noble, he
He didn?t do a thing

I saw three ships come sailing in
Through the passage of the Caribbean
I saw children coming home in coffins
Millions marching on Washington
And I asked when is the revolution
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