The mans too strong

Dire Straits

I am just an aging drummer boy And in the wars I used to play And I've called the tune to many a torture session Now they say I am a war criminal And I'm fading away Father, please hear my confessionI have legalized robbery And called it relief I have run with the money I have hid like a thief Rewritten histories with armies and my crooks Invented memories I did burn all the books And I can still hear his laughter And I can still hear his song The man's too big The man's too strongWell, I've tried to be meek I have tried to be mild But I spat like a woman And I sulked like a child

Hid behind walls that have made me alone

Striven for peace

Which I never have known

And I can still hear his laughter

And I can still hear his song

The man's too big

The man's too strongWell, the sun rose on the courtyard

And we all did hear him say

"You always was a Judas,

But I got you anyway.

You may have got your silver

But I swear upon my life

Your sister gave me diamonds

And I gave 'em to your wife."

Oh father, please help me

For I have done wrong

The man's too big

The man's too strong

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