

Redemption Day

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I've wept for those who suffer long
But how I weep for those who've gone
In rooms of grief and questioned wrong
 But keep on killing
 It's in the soul to feel such things
But weak to watch without speaking
 Oh, what mercy sadness brings
 If God be willing
There is a train that's heading straight
 To heaven's gate, to heaven's gate
And on the way child and man and woman wait
 Watch and wait for redemption day
 Fire rages in the streets
 And swallows everything it meets
It's just an image often seen on television
 Come leaders, come you men of great
 Let us hear you pontificate
 Your many virtues laid to waste
 And we aren't listening

There is a train that's heading straight
 To heaven's gate, to heaven's gate
And on the way child and man and woman wait
 Watch and wait for redemption day
 What do you have for us today?
 Throw us a bone but save the plate
 Oh, why we waited 'til so late
 Was there no oil to excavate?
 No riches in trade for the fate
 Of every person who died in hate
 Throw us a bone, you men of great
There is a train that's heading straight
 To heaven's gate, to heaven's gate
And on the way child and man and woman wait
 Watch and wait for redemption day
 It's buried in the countryside
 Exploding in the shells at night
 It's everywhere a baby cries
 Freedom, freedom, freedom

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