I Had No Right

Dar Williams

"God of the poor man this is how the day began
Eight codefendants, I, Daniel Berrigan
Oh and only a layman's batch of napalm
We pulled the draft files out
We burned them in the parking lot
Better the files than the bodies of childrenI had no right but for the love of you
I had no right but for the love of youMany roads led here, walked with the suffering
Tom in Guatamala, Phillip in New Orleans
Oh it's a long road from law to justice
I went to Vietnam, I went for peace
They dropped their bombs
Right where my government knew I would be
I had no right but for the love of you
I had no right but for the love of youAnd all my country saw
Were priests who broke the lawFirst it was question, then it was a mission
How to be American, how to be a Christian
Oh if their law is their cross and the cross is burningThe love of you
The love of youGod of the just I'll never win a peace prize
Falling like Jesus
Now let the jury rise
Oh it's all of us versus all that paper
They took the only way they know who is on trial today
Deliver us unto each other, I prayI had no right but for the love of you
And every trial I stood, I stood for you
Eyes on the trial
8 a.m. arrival
Hands on the Bible"
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