Oh why do we act like this? So fragile to touch Now that the light's gone out They're caught in the rush And somewhere across the void Oh there's no return Lost all in an empty space There's cause for concern Women were crying in their tearful eyes And banners were flying in dark smoky skies Sweet ruby wine only helped them ignore It poured from the bottle like blood to the floor The peace and the power will fall dust to dust And every hour will turn them to rust Still some things we're haunted by And endlessly tried But if we could start again And question them why Now you can remember when Kids held out their hands All prejudice left behind Time to understand Men talked with passion, although time was brief And something would happen to shake their belief Gentle persuasion, a soft serenade It filled the occasion and everyone prayed Get back in the shadows, say farewell to friends On through the meadows, too late to pretend It starts, Mother Nature cries She falls into her final dance People were just walking by Passing without half a glance So into the shadows burning Wide-eyed and so young they came And all but their very soul Swept into that savage game Through fire and water, they try to be strong And not to be touched by that poisonous tongue The men on white horses, observing their plan Were deep in discussion, send man after man Over and over and over again Over and over, it's over, Amen