

# Masters of War

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Come you masters of war  
You that build all the guns  
You that build the death planes  
You that build all the bombs  
You that hide behind walls  
You that hide behind desks  
I just want you to know  
I can see through your masks

You that never done nothing  
But build to destroy  
You play with my world  
Like it's your little toy  
You put a gun in my hand  
And you hide from my eyes  
Then you turn and run farther  
While the fast bullets fly

Like Judas of old  
You lie and deceive  
World war can be won  
You want me to believe  
But I see through your eyes  
And I see through your brain  
Like I see through the water  
That runs down my drain

You fasten all the triggers  
For the others to fire  
Then you sit back and watch  
When the death count gets higher  
You hide in your mansion  
While young people's blood  
Flows out of their bodies  
And is buried in the mud

You've thrown the worst fear  
That can ever be hurled  
The fear to bring children  
Into the world  
For threatening my babies  
Unborn and unnamed  
Ah, ain't worth the blood  
That runs in your veins

How much do I know  
To talk out of turn  
You might say that I'm young  
You might say I'm unlearned  
But there's one thing I know  
Though I'm younger than you  
Even Jesus would never  
Forgive what you do

Let me ask you one question  
Is your money that good?  
Will it buy you forgiveness?

Do you think that it could?  
I think you will find  
When your death takes its toll  
All the money you made  
Will never buy back your soul

When day you will die  
And your death may come soon  
I'll follow your casket  
In the pale afternoon  
And I'll watch while you're lowered  
Down to your deathbed  
I'll stand over your grave  
'Till I'm sure that you're dead