

Mud

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I've spent my life stacking dynamite
Fool me once, fool me twice
I've spent my life trying to live right
Dinosaur bones only know how low my toes touched stone

Down to my core
I shovel mud and I shuffle ore
Sifting dirt into jars just to keep score
I beg you
To watch your step
Before you snag the fucking land mines
Laid in my mind

Trip wires and bamboo death traps
Hiding deep in the dirt
I dare you

Paint along the tunnel walls
(I draw) Ladders to Heaven but traced in blood
My heart's a chasm, my mind a pit of mud
But the animal aches to rise above

Breaking the surface
(War time) No peace is the purpose
Curse us, hurt us, desert us

In the end there's no friends
Explosives excavated from a war I couldn't win
God lifted my chin and said
Time to shine
Hide your eyes

When I bite the dynamite
Skull ignites light of a firefight
Who survives alive on the other side
If I decide to detonate tonight?
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