

## War Song

We stood in Hell; as the bombs fell all around us  
Our bayonets were useless, and death had found the boy  
We see him now, his lifeless eyes are staring  
Another Flanders hero, and his mother's pride and joy  
I feel no pain; we've marched for many days now  
Beyond Le Gheir and Messines, Armentieres at dawn  
When will it end; when can we come home to England  
Our heads are full of killing and our limbs are weary worn.

### *Chorus*

*This is the war to end all wars, they said  
This is the last, the final call  
We'll never take this road again, they said  
But the truth makes liars of us all.*

I heard no sound, not even one bird singing  
But saw the plumes of Belsen smoke, and smelled the death and fear  
A young child cries, but the others cannot hear her  
Her small voice, lost of innocence, drowned out amongst her tears  
Look at us now; we are fearful for our brothers  
Our sisters and our mothers and of everything we've known  
We plant our fields; not knowing if tomorrow  
Will bring the peace forever, to our Hiroshima home.

### *Chorus*

They came by night, by the river at Dhak Hanjro  
Through dark and deadly forest, seen with their stranger's eye  
At Toumorong the battleground was bloody  
A hundred brave Americans each one too young to die  
Their shattered dreams; betrayed by those who loved them  
Impoverished and empty, they struggled every day  
Homecoming seems a million miles away now  
When the neighbours will not listen and they turn their face away

### *Chorus*

And so it goes, this endless round of sorrow  
From the ravaged streets of Najaf, to the starving at Diafur  
Can we not see; that when man abandons reason  
The cause is lost, and no one knows what they are fighting for.  
How can it change, will the anger ever leave us,  
Will the warlords drop their weapons will the conflict soon be done  
Or will they reign, and their power overwhelm us  
And we have to face our enemy a generation on?

### *Chorus*