Justice

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What's been done in the name of Jesus What's been done in the name of Buddha What's been done in the name of Islam What's been done in the name of man What's been done in the name of liberation And in the name of civilization And in the name of race And in the name of peace! everybody loves to see justice done on somebody else

Can you tell me how much bleeding It takes to fill a word with meaning And how much, how much death It takes to gave a slogan breath And how much, how much, how much flame Gives light to a name For the hollow darkness In which nations dress? everybody loves to see justice done on somebody else

Everybody's seen the things they've seen We all have to live with what we've been When they say charity begins at home They're not just talking about a toilet and a telephone Got to search the silence of the soul's wild places For a voice that can cross the spaces These definitions that we love create --These names for heaven, hero, tribe and state everybody loves to see justice done on somebody else