If I apologize for the swift and sudden rise in the recurring t hemes of love and God and war, will you make amends for the way we all pretend these aren't the thing we think about when we c an't think about our jobs anymore?

I'm so sick of this fate, I felt compelled to create. I left it for you, waiting in the nylon space of record crates, to ease the pain from the soft features of your face. So you can put yo ur windows down and impose your musical tastes upon this immens e landscape. I think I'm starting to relate to these troubled s tates. And I can't set aside all the condescending lies they're making us believe about state and faith and law. Paint every d ark-skinned man a criminal, and every White Christian forgivable. We're choosing sides, a soldier's life, in the new culture w ar. I'm, so sick of this fate I felt compelled to create. I left it for you, draped in a jewel case outside your place. For he aven's sake, if the long knives of the night are keeping you aw ake...I think we share the collective fate of these troubled st ates.

So we're all going to hell, but with one hell of a plan. Presen ted in folded flags, embedded in foreign sand, written upon the dead skin of a dried-up land it began: "We'll fix the fat and the ugly with incisions. We'll stash the gay and liberal up in New England. We'll keep the black and poor in (or under the con stant threat of) prison. And they'll all feel blessed just for being a part of the vision..."

God please save these troubled states.