

Better To Be Dead

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I present to you a story
Set upon a northern shore
The denizens of lighthouse
During times of war

The foolish things they did
The foolish things they said
I'm sure you will agree
They would be better off dead

Lily keeps the lighthouse
She's afraid of the unknown
She's no ray of sunshine
So mostly she's alone

And no one cares about her longing
Or the dreams on which she's fed
And though I'm sad to say it
She would be better off dead

Next we have a sheriff
Charles is his name
He's something of a sideshow
Every sheriff is the same

Will he stand for justice
Or something else instead?
Either way it hardly matters
'Cause he's better off dead

When everything is done
And everything is said
Life is naught but pain
It's better to be dead

Release your heavy heart
Rest your weary head
When all the world's at war
It's better, it's better

Witness Yasujiro
He hails from old Japan
He searches for redemption
In this strange and foreign land

And now he works for Lily
To earn his daily bread
But the most that one can say
Is that he's better off dead

Please, welcome young Christopher
He's come here on a train
His father flew to heaven
In a fiery aeroplane

He's come to live with Lily
He's got visions in his head

He may be our main attraction
But he's better off dead

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And everything is said
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It's better to be dead

Release your heavy heart
Rest your weary head
When all the world's at war
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Everything is done
All things have been said
It's good to be a ghost
It's better, it's better to be dead

It's good to be a ghost
It's better to be dead