Greenwood

Peter, Paul and Mary

I've seen a thousand people kneel in silence And I've seen them face the rifles with their songs I always thought that we could end the killing But now I live in fear that I was wrong

The killer and the cynic waltz together Their eyes are turned into their skulls They do not feel the bullets in the bodies They do not hear the dolphins or the gulls

If we do these things in the greenwood, What will happen in the dry?

If we don't stop there'll come a time when women With barren wombs will bitterly rejoice With breasts that dry and never fill with promise Gladly they'll not suckle one more life

Is this then the whimper and the ending? The impotence of people raised on fear, A fear that blinds the sense of common oneness Common love and life or death are here

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Will no one light the candle in the darkness Will no one be my guide, not let me fall I've lost the sense that tells me where the path is I feel the chill of winter in my soul

There's no way I can say the words more plainly There's no one left to point at anymore It's you and me and we must make the choice now And not destroy the life we're living for

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