When Love Was King

The Common Linnets

When pain didn't reign and love was king We could wash our hands of most anything I inherited my fathers sin I was born and raised in the midst of it Before a preacher spoke those words in vain And holy men would bow their head For I was a I am The older son of Abraham

The day I drowned in fire and storm I found out, what I'd always known I still remember, I still see A heart that trusts and avoids that sadness

When pain didn't rain and love was king My daddy was a gambler, drinking man Showed his love with the back of his hand Never saw him smile, not a flicker of graze I think he buried him with momma in a Tennesse clay

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