Butterflies

Toad The Wet Sprocket

I saw something gigantic out on the water I asked my dad for a nickel, he gave it to me It was kind of misty, I couldn't be sure what it was And of course he wouldn't tell me

In time I will collect the world The eggs and wings (I love the wings) Of butterflies

A man drove up in an ugly car And he flashed his lights at everything he saw And his eyes were red And his stereo was so loud you couldn't hear the engine's roar

He yelled at everybody in the road And did not notice all the moths he'd massacred Spread across the open road

His skin flashed open All of a sudden there it was And I still couldn't tell You know how when you get so close To something that big You can't see anything at all

In time I will collect the world
 (You who fall on cavalry)
The eggs and wings
 (I give my children)
Of butterflies

A moth had settled upon his arm And he looked at it with a lazy eye And he lifted up a gigantic hand And he spread his fingers towards the sky

He nudged the moth to make it fly away But moths are fragile things and he just wiped its body He just wiped its body, he just wiped its body Down across his shoulder blade

He's a wonder, he's a little black-wing boy Oh, my daughters, he'll fill you with joy

In time I will collect the world
 (You who soar o'er Calvary)
The hearts and limbs
 (Had you wings)
Of butterflies
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