

## Dick Haymes

### "Eve Of Destruction"

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The eastern world, it is explodin'  
Violence flarin' bullets loadin'  
You're old enough to  
kill, but not for votin'  
You don't believe in war, but what's that gun  
you're totin'  
And even the Jordan River  
Has bodies floatin'  
But you tell me  
Over and over and over again, my friend  
Ah, you don't believe  
We're on the eve  
Of destruction.

Don't you understand what I'm tryin' to say  
Can't you feel the fears I'm feelin' today?  
If the button is pushed, there's no runnin' away  
There'll be no one to save, with the world in a grave  
Take a look around you boy  
It's bound to scare you boy

And you tell me  
Over and over and over again, my friend  
Ah, you don't believe  
We're on the eve  
Of destruction.

Yeah, my blood's so mad feels like coagulin'  
sitting here just contemplatin'  
You can't twist the truth, it knows no regulation.  
Handful of senators don't pass legislation  
And marches alone can't bring integration  
When human respect is disintegratin'  
This whole crazy  
world is just too  
Frustratin'  
And you tell me  
Over and over and over again, my friend  
Ah, you don't believe  
We're on the eve  
Of destruction.

Think of all the hate there is in Red China  
Then take a look around to Selma, Alabama

You may leave here for 4 days in space  
But when you return, it's the same old place  
The poundin' of the drum, the pride and disgrace  
You can bury your dead, but don't leave a trace  
Hate your next-door neighbor, but don't forget to  
say grace  
And tell me over and over and over and over again,  
my friend  
You don't believe  
We're on the eve  
Of destruction  
Mm, no no, you don't believe  
We're on the eve  
Of destruction.

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