Drive By Truckers "The Fireplace Poker"

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"Here's money, son, go buy a gun And shoot her in the head No one who dies, testifies Make sure that she is dead"

The heathens were paid a thousand bucks
To eliminate someone
Plus they were paid five hundred more
To get themselves a gun

The guy I knew had a hunting knife "Why bother with a gun? She'll still be dead, why sweat details As long as it gets done"

The Bible said that Jesus bled For the sins of the rest of us The Reverend had his wife done in For fifteen hundred bucks

They knocked upon the door Said their car broke down And asked if they could use the phone For a ride back into town

They stabbed her several times
And left her there for dead
Bleeding and crying out
And gasping for breath
And they went out the very next night
And bragged about it

The Reverend came home from work And found the Mrs. dying Life was falling from her grasp But still she lay there trying No one will ever know what she told him Or know what he told her 'Cause the Reverend did his wife in Fifteen whacks, fireplace poker

The headlines screamed out
"Brutal murder, small town preacher's wife"
The crime rocked all of Colbert County
As each new fact came to light

It seems the preacher had a girl He counseled on the side Now the shit was coming down And she was scared to lie

The preacher came home from the funeral And found policemen waiting The heathens, it seems, got coked up and drunk And did a lot of communicating

Life is cheap for a couple of creeps But this here is the smoker Their prints were found all 'round the room But not on the fireplace poker

The preacher's son brought his father home And followed him inside
Shots rang out in the Tuscumbia night
Was he alone when he died?

"Don't call the son for questioning That bullet was deserved Better call it suicide, justice has been served" Better call it suicide, justice has been served

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