

## Griffin House "I Remember"

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Well, my grandpa fought in World War 2, my uncle  
fought in Vietnam  
My father was too young, he went to school and met my  
mom  
And her dad always told us stories around dinner time  
And there's one he told when I was young that  
sticks out in my mind

He said, 10 years after daddy taught me about the  
birds and bees  
I was stranded in Pearl Harbor fighting off the Japanese  
When the kamikaze pilots came and dove in without  
warning  
I was on the Arizona on a warm December morning

I remember when I was a younger man  
We were soldiers fighting in a foreign land  
Now I'm older and it's happening again

It was hard to have forgiveness for the things they did  
that day  
And our president decided we should make their  
people pay  
So we dropped on Nagasaki and we cut them down to  
size  
And the one we dropped on Hiroshima left them  
vaporized

And I heard some Christians say  
"What would Jesus do?"  
What if you were on the wrong side  
Would he point the gun at you?

And they read through every word of Matthew, Mark  
and Luke and John  
So they could see if killing was the side that Christ was  
on

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Now I'm older and it's happening again

And they separate the church and state and keep God  
out of schools  
So our governments can educate based upon their  
rules  
But people start to wonder if our politics make sense  
When religion is our best excuse for national defense

And when our citizens start saying that our wars are not  
okay  
And Washington keeps telling them, "God loves the  
USA"  
And they teach us history so we can learn from our  
mistakes  
And this generation wants to know how many years it  
takes

To change the way we treat our neighbors all across  
the land  
Cause if we don't change our hearts, we repeat  
the past again

I remember when I was a younger man  
We were soldiers fighting in a foreign land  
Now we're older and it's happening again

When my grandpa finished talking, we went walking he  
and I  
I was thinking of the future and how scared I was to die  
Now my best friend's overseas in the desert where  
it's dry  
Fighting for our country and I need a reason why

I remember when he was a younger man  
Now he's a soldier fighting in a foreign land  
Now we're older, God bring him home again

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