

## **Knaan**

# **"With God On Our Side"**

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It's a movie and the whole world is viewing it  
And the popcorn is dreams torn, but we're always  
chewing it.  
(They said) Dishonest by God but the costumes by the  
devil  
And the screenplay is adapted from a book that's  
embezzled.  
This is where I grew up.  
This is where I grew proud.  
This is where neighbors never say music is too loud.  
This is where the streets have no name, but they have  
history.  
This is loss is victory.  
Oh my name it ain't nothing; my age it means less.  
The country I come from could be like the rest.  
I was taught and brought up there, laws to abide  
And the land that I live in has God on its side.  
I was young; I grew. I could tie my shoe.  
I was blind, but I knew that I would always see blue.  
Blue seas I see through on the bottom I'll meet you  
And when we come up for a breath would you mind if I  
kiss you?  
Childhood came up for the kiss, but it slips its pain in  
with mist  
And the sunny skies came and I missed it,  
Vanished and when swept.  
Landed we slept in the arms of convenience, blanket  
obedience.  
Now to some of the Americans,  
War had its day  
And the Civil War too was soon laid away  
And the names of our warlords  
I was made to memorize.  
With guns in their hands, they said,  
God's on their side.  
I had an undying wish to keep from dying.  
I had an untimely hitch keep me from climbing  
But I climbed a hitch itself and I tried flying.  
I had an uprising in my soul.  
The left was fight in the right  
And the right was fight in the light  
And the light was blind in the night

And the night woke up in tears  
When my fingers went to wipe them  
They became a poem but to write then  
They would have to speak tears in another language  
That would take years.  
So now as I'm leavin'  
I'm weary as Hell  
The confusion I'm feelin'  
Ain't no tongue can tell  
The words fill my head  
And fall to the floor  
If God's on our side then would you ever need war?

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