

Dar Williams**"I Am The One Who Will Remember Everything"**

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Oh what have we here, he must be three or four,
Shaken out of a boot on its way back to war
And he's not looking for a father or a mother,
Just a seven year old brother,
On this smudged line border camp of refugees,
I am the one who will remember everything.
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So where are we now, he must be five or six,
Just running around, hungry kids, sharpened sticks.
And he will grow with pain and fear and jealousy,
Taken in by schools of zealotry,
Who train orphans to make orphans evermore.

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You drink the smoke, you ride the noise
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And you say it's necessary,
And you forget the ordinary
But I say, on the wheel of time,
Scour the Earth and find the
Orphans of forgetting, all the orphans of forgetting,
Give them stars for math and praise for good play,
Here's a Band-Aid, happy birthday,
Yes of course I did remember,
I remember everything.
Oh come over here, kid we've got all these books to
read,
With the turtles and frogs, cats and dogs who civilize
the centuries,
And in a world that's angry, cruel and furious,
There's this monkey who's just curious,
Floating high above a park with bright balloons.

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Everything!

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