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The hole in her chest is for the little lost lamb That was on his quest; nobody gives a damn In silvery days of silence they go Now they've lost their ways, the little lambs in the snow

These are not shells of the sea These are the shells of the sky They took my baby away from me And no one has ever told me why They chewed him and spit him He never knew what hit him No little kisses goodbye Shells, shells, shells

I won't stand to ask for God's mercy I can't stand anything anymore They were only making angels In the snow in the middle of a war The blood of these lambs speaks of the darkness And the blood of these lambs speaks of the rage Yes the blood of these lambs is rolling to the sea It's writing your history on every single page Shells, shells, shells

Tear at a table missing a child Must have gone past, the river is mild I go to the sea; I follow the tide I hold seashells to me and I hear the sky

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