

## **Rodney Crowell**

# **"Ignorance Is the Enemy"**

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Oh Mother, oh Father  
In our time of fear  
Grant us the wisdom  
Your message for to hear

Send down Your angel band  
To fill Your hearts with power  
Oh Mother, oh Father  
In our darkest hour

Ignorance is the enemy  
And it fills your head with lies  
It's the kind of bliss that can make you miss  
The very truth before your eyes

It's not who's right or wrong  
Weak or strong, black or white you see  
Ignorance is the enemy  
And it's keeping you from me

Forgive me all my pettiness  
Forgive me all my greed  
Forgive me for I know not how  
To live this life I lead

Ignorance is the enemy  
Let's set the record straight  
If history must repeat itself  
Why worry while you wait

It's a perfect blue and beautiful world  
You treat with such disdain  
Ignorance is the enemy  
And It can only bring you pain

Forgive me all my vanity  
Forgive me my conceit  
Forgive me when I'm crawling  
Like a beggar at Your feet

Ignorance is the enemy  
And it wields a mighty sword

It can cut you down in a blaze of glory  
It can nail you to a board

If mercy and compassion only had a chance  
It could fill these holes we've dug  
But ignorance is the enemy  
And it's working like a drug

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