Blood Sweat & Tears; "The battle"

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(Steve Katz/Dick Halligan)

While the king and queen lie sleeping And their daughters smile so nice. Brothers wait through windows And the peasants die for rice. And here I'm standing naked Laughing madly at the sun. Though I wanted to sleep late today The Battle's just begun.

Oh, the Devil in all his wisdom
The father in all his grace
The servant's sons are washed in blood
And the man has run his race

A moving target looms behind the street where soldiers stood
Siren screams out desperately
Like only humans could
And standing on my balcony
I watch the battle run
Yes the war is never over
But the day is never done

Oh, the Devil in all his wisdom, the father in all his grace, The servant's sons are washed in blood And the man has run his race.

Six-white horses like the wind are running, Five are far behind
The captain lost his daughter,
The sergeant lost his mind.
The soldiers they still scream for riches
Even though they swore
That sons and daughters wouldn't live
Unless we won the war.

Oh, the Devil in all his wisdom, the father in all his grace,

The servant's sons are washed in blood And the man has run his race.

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