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## The 88 "Sons and Daughters"

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And it all began like a new routine We were drunk, we were tired, we were sick We were in between

And the jig was up when the sun went down It was dark, it was mean, it was black There was not a sound

And when the morning papers did not come We shook our heads We knew that we were done and so we sat and prayed for Just another try

Throw your babies in the water Let your hair down like you used to And tell all your sons and daughters They don't have to grow up like you They're not supposed to

Now the birds don't sing and the cars won't go There's a lump in your throat There's no songs on the radio

And the walls caved in and the well went dry And the mountains shook And the people all wondered why

And in the morning I woke up to find There's someone here There's someone in my mind And so I hung my head And I began to cry Throw your babies in the water Let your hair down like you used to And tell all your sons and daughters They don't have to grow up like you They're not supposed to

Cradled, whipped And mother's tongue It's not hard to see what went wrong If I told you once, I told you twice You can beg, you can kneel, you can pray You'll be sacrificed And when the morning papers did not come We shook our heads We knew that we were done and so we sat and prayed for Just another try

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