

## The Faint

### "A Battle Hymn For Children"

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teacher  
bring me to heaven  
or leave me alone  
why make me work so hard  
when you know i work slow  
don't make us watch you scrape  
more powder on the walls  
show us a laser  
take to space  
or let us go  
we got violent games on pause at home

you've seen this angst take shape  
don't hide those guilty eyes  
you gave us guns for toys  
we trained with cross hair scopes  
then in the name of peace we make war

sargent  
i don't remember how you said to deal with guilt  
i'm haunted by families  
even ghosts of soldiers kids  
is it god against god  
and the pawns are people?  
if they're both the same god  
then the battle's over  
details

preacher  
am i gonna make it?  
am i going up?  
am i forgiven for the humans i dropped  
it's not like a game once the guilt piles up  
if i knew what i know now  
it's easy to say i wouldn't go  
i had violent games on pause at home

you know how hate takes shape  
don't hide those guilty eyes  
you gave us guns for toys  
imposed beliefs then pride

we were taught that god prefers the usA  
just like the billboard sign -"this is god's country"  
if it's true that god roots for the usa  
is every bomb we drop in god's name?

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