

## Travis Tritt

# "The day The Sun Stood Still"

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We were young and bound for glory  
Itchin' for a fight like you  
Bringin' hell and purgatory  
To the boys who wore the blue

And I thought I'd seen it all  
Till the day night wouldn't fall  
Oh, how the sun did blaze  
Wouldn't go down for days

I got shot and lost my rifle  
When the first wave hit the rise  
And the guns rolled out like thunder  
And the black smoke burned my eyes

And I watched it all unfold  
Just the way the Bible told  
Joshua's endless day  
Keepin' the night at bay

And the soldiers kept a comin'  
'Til the ground looked like a sea  
Of blue and gray  
And I watched it from a distance  
Wonderin' if I would've fought or run away

The day the sun stood still  
How they beat the bloody drums  
And the seconds moved like hours  
But the sunset never comes

And the cannons shake the ground  
And the bullets test your will  
Even shadows found no cover  
On that God forsaken hill  
The day the sun stood still

I watched them lean their shoulders  
To the fearful hail of lead  
And I prayed for night to save us  
And I cried and bowed my head

But the sun just kept a-creepin'  
'Cross a cold indifferent sky  
Castin' a deadly glow  
On all the men below

All the hours in a lifetime  
Don't add up to one whole minute in that sun  
And the heroes and the cowards  
Look the same when they have fallen by the gun  
The day the sun stood still

And the north and south looked west  
But the evening star was sleeping  
And the daylight wouldn't rest  
Out on the killing floor

The red sun on the the hill  
Shinin' down on all the dead men  
With a strange and eerie chill  
The day the sun stood still

Do not judge what you brother does  
'Til you've walked a mile  
Rank by bloody file  
Who's to say if you'll run or stay and fight?

The day the sun stood still  
Is just beneath the skin  
In the soul of every soldier  
Every battle that he's in

The day the sun stood still  
Will haunt your dreams at night  
And stalk your every sunrise  
Though you will not know it till

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