#### Eve of Destruction-Barry McGuire, 1965

The eastern world, it is exploding Violence flarin', bullets loadin' You're old enough to kill, but not for votin' You don't believe in war, but what's that gun you're totin' And even the Jordan River has bodies floatin'

But you tell me Over and over and over again, my friend Ah, you don't believe We're on the eve of destruction.

Don't you understand what I'm tryin' to say Can't you feel the fears I'm feelin' today? If the button is pushed, there's no runnin' away There'll be no one to save, with the world in a grave [Take a look around ya boy, it's bound to scare ya boy]

And you tell me Over and over and over again, my friend Ah, you don't believe We're on the eve of destruction.

Yeah, my blood's so mad feels like coagulatin' I'm sitting here just contemplatin' I can't twist the truth, it knows no regulation. Handful of senators don't pass legislation And marches alone can't bring integration When human respect is disintegratin' This whole crazy world is just too frustratin'

And you tell me Over and over and over again, my friend Ah, you don't believe We're on the eve of destruction.

Think of all the hate there is in Red China Then take a look around to Selma, Alabama You may leave here for 4 days in space But when you return, it's the same old place The poundin' of the drums, the pride and disgrace You can bury your dead, but don't leave a trace Hate your next-door neighbor, but don't forget to say grace And... tell me over and over and over and over again, my friend You don't believe We're on the eve Of destruction Mm, no no, you don't believe We're on the eve of destruction.

#### Ballad of The Green Berets, SSgt Barry Sadler, 1966

Fighting soldiers from the sky Fearless men who jump and die Men who mean just what they say The brave men of the Green Beret

Silver wings upon their chest These are men, America's best One hundred men we'll test today But only three win the Green Beret

Trained to live, off nature's land Trained in combat, hand to hand Men who fight by night and day Courage deep, from the Green Beret

Silver wings upon their chest These are men, America's best One hundred men we'll test today But only three win the Green Beret

Back at home a young wife waits Her Green Beret has met his fate He has died for those oppressed Leaving her this last request Put silver wings on my son's chest Make him one of America's best He'll be a man they'll test one day Have him win the Green Beret

## Ohio by Crosby, Stills, Nash, and Young, 1970

Tin soldiers and Nixon's comin'. We're finally on our own. This summer I hear the drummin'. Four dead in Ohio.

Gotta get down to it. Soldiers are gunning us down. Should have been done long ago. What if you knew her and Found her dead on the ground? How can you run when you know?

Na, na, na, na, na, na, na, na.

Gotta get down to it. Soldiers are cutting us down. Should have been done long ago.

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# War, Edwin Starr, 1970

War...huh...yeah
What is it good for?
Absolutely nothing
Uh ha haa ha
War...huh...yeah
What is it good for?
Absolutely nothing...say it again y'all
War..huh...look out...
What is it good for?
Absolutely nothing...listen to me ohhhhh

WAR! I despise,
'cos it means destruction of innocent
lives,
War means tears to thousands of mother's
eyes,
When their sons gone to fight and lose
their lives.

I said WAR!...huh...good God y'all, What is it good for? Absolutely nothing...say it again War! Huh...What is it good for (Edwin sings 'Wohh oh Lord' over the top) Absolutely nothing...listen to me

WAR! It ain't nothing but a heartbreaker, War. Friend only to the undertaker. Ohhh! War is an enemy to all mankind, The thought of war blows my mind. War has caused unrest within the younger generation Induction then destruction...who wants to die? Ohhh

WAR! good God y'all huh What is it good for? Absolutely nothing...say it say it SAY IT! WAR!...uh huh yeah hu! What is it good for? Absolutely nothing...listen to me

WAR! It ain't nothing but a heartbreaker, War! It's got one friend that's the undertaker. Ohhh! War has shattered many a young man's dream, Made him disabled, bitter and mean, Life is much too short and precious to spend fighting wars these days. War can't give life, it can only take it away!

Ohhh WAR! huh...good God y'all What is it good for? Absolutely nothing...say it again War!...huh...woh oh oh Lord What is it good for? Absolutely nothing...listen to me War! It ain't nothing but a heartbreaker, War. Friend only to the undertaker...woo Peace lovin' understand then tell me, Is there no place for them today? They say we must fight to keep our freedom, But Lord knows there's got to be a better way.

Ohhhhhh WAR! huh...good God y'all... What is it good for?...you tell me! Say it say it say it saaaay it! War! good God now...huh What is it good for? Stand up and shout it...NOTHING [END]

## Creedence Clearwater Revival-Fortunate Son, 1969

Some folks are born made to wave the flag They're red, white and blue And when the band plays "Hail to the Chief" They point the cannon at you, Lord

It ain't me, it ain't me I ain't no senator's son, son It ain't me, it ain't me I ain't no fortunate one

Some folks are born silver spoon in hand Lord, don't they help themselves, yeah But when the taxman comes to the door The house look like a rummage sale

It ain't me, it ain't me I ain't no millionaire's son, son It ain't me, it ain't me I ain't no fortunate one

Yeah, some folks inherit star-spangled eyes They send you down to war And when you ask 'em, "How much should we give?" The only answer, "More, more, more"

It ain't me, it ain't me I ain't no military son, son It ain't me, it ain't me I ain't no fortunate one, one

It ain't me, it ain't me I ain't no fortunate one It ain't me, it ain't me I ain't no fortunate one