God Said No

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I met God

On the edge of town

Where the wind meets the stillness

Where the darkness meets the lightWhere the ocean meets the sky

Where the desert meets the rain

Where the earth meets the heavens

On the edge of town

I met GodI asked God

Do one thing for me

Send me back in time

Send me to Seattle

Let me go

Find Kurt Cobain

Take away his gun

Take away his bulletsTalk to him

Make him want to live

Tell him how we love him

Help him see his gloryGod said no

If I sent you back

If you really found him

You would only ask himIf he could

Help you get a deal

If he knows a lawyer

If he can help you

God said no

I asked God

Do one thing for me

Send me back in time

Send me to BerlinLet me find

The one they call Hitler

I will stalk him

I will bring him downI will bring along

A powerful gun

Loaded with bullets

Obliterate his memoryGod said no

If I sent you back

You would get caught up

In theory and discussionYou would let your fears

Delay and distract you

You would make friends

You would take a lover

God said noI asked God

Do one thing for me Send me back in time Send me to JerusalemLet me go Let me go find Jesus Let me save His life As they try to kill HimLet me take Him down Down from the cross Take the iron from His body Try to heal His woundsGod said no If I let you go If you really found Him Walking with the crossYou would stare Your tongue no longer working Eyes no longer seeing Ears no longer hearingGod said Dan Time belongs to me Time's my secret weapon A final advantageGod turned away From the edge of town He knew, I was beaten And now was all I hadGod said no

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