

# Once They Banned Imagine

## Drive-By Truckers

We had our heart strings dangling ripe for the yanking  
And lot of reasons grabby was good  
Poor huddled masses singing boots up their asses  
Giving grabby what he needed to pull  
All the way back to where ghosts from the past were still  
Fighting their wars from the grave  
Complete with record burning and threatening and spurning  
The crime of getting blood on the page  
Since the big one ended we'd been mostly pretending  
We'd have had the same gumption and grit  
As the greatest among us when harm came upon us  
We wouldn't hesitate to defend  
But with or against something's been out to get us  
And it looked like something finally did  
No nobler cause in our lifetime for setting our sails to the wind

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Are you now or have you ever been in cahoots with the notion that people can change  
When history happens again if you do or you did you'll be blamed  
From baseless inquiry  
To no knocking entry  
Becoming the law of the land  
To half cocked excuses for bullet abuse regarding anything browner than tan

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