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I Saw A Man Get Killed Today
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I saw a man get killed today
By a servant of the law who swore to save
Men and women and children too
So take away the badge from that man in blue

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With his hands in chains behind his back
A wicked knee pressed hard against his neck
While his face made friends with the dirty ground
The people watched and gathered all around

His cry for help they were denied
As the sea of blue just stood right by
His call to heaven, they were heard
Prayed "mama, please" were his last words

Without a judge, they burked the trial
Ignored his defense, all that while
They found him guilty in the middle of the street
Seemed frantic and drugged, refused to take a seat

Then his sentence was delivered
As his last cries they turned to whispers
Say a prayer and start to grieve
I don't care if you can't breathe

The people rose and took to the streets
Over cries I heard "no justice, no peace"
I remember a battle I thought we'd won
When we stood together singin' "we shall overcome"

So now we know the price you pay
If you don't do just what they say
(So) when he comes, just kiss his shoes
If you're not careful, he'll kill you too

I saw a man get killed today
By a servant of the law who swore to save
Men and women and children from harm
So take away his badge and burn his uniform.