Leonard Cohen, Almost Like the Blues

I saw some people starving There was murder, there was rape Their villages were burning They were trying to escape

I couldn't meet their glances I was staring at my shoes It was acid, it was tragic It was almost like the blues It was almost like the blues

I have to die a little Between each murderous plot And when I'm finished thinking I have to die a lot

There's torture, and there's killing And there's all my bad reviews The war, the children missing, lord It's almost like the blues It's almost like the blues

Though I let my heart get frozen To keep away the rot My father says I'm chosen My mother says I'm not

I listened to their story Of the Gypsies and the Jews It was good, it wasn't boring It was almost like the blues It was almost like the blues

There is no God in Heaven There is no hell below So says the great professor Of all there is to know

But I've had the invitation that a sinner can't refuse It's almost like salvation It's almost like the blues It's almost like the blues Almost like the blues (Almost like the blues)