Leonard Cohen, Anthem

The birds they sang at the break of day Start again I heard them say Don't dwell on what has passed away or what is yet to be. Ah the wars they will be fought again The holy dove She will be caught again bought and sold and bought again the dove is never free.

Ring the bells that still can ring Forget your perfect offering There is a crack in everything That's how the light gets in.

We asked for signs the signs were sent: the birth betrayed the marriage spent Yeah the widowhood of every government -signs for all to see.

I can't run no more
with that lawless crowd
while the killers in high places
say their prayers out loud.
But they've summoned, they've summoned up
a thundercloud
and they're going to hear from me.

Ring the bells that still can ring ...

You can add up the parts but you won't have the sum You can strike up the march, there is no drum Every heart, every heart to love will come but like a refugee.

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