

Sky Pilot
The Animals

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Sky Pilot
(Burdon / Briggs / Weider / Jenkins / McCulloch)

Intro (acapella):

He blesses the boys as they stand in line
They smell of gun grease and their bayonets they shine
He s there to help them all that he can
To make them feel wanted, he s a good holy man

[band enters]

bass:

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v v v v v v v v
8h10---8h10---8h10---8h10-----|-----8-----8-----10-----
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(man)

Chorus:

Bb Eb Bb
Sky... pilot
Bb Eb Bb
Sky... pilot
Cm Bb
How high can you fly
Cm Bb
You ll never (never) (never) reach the sky

Verse 1:

Cm Eb
He smiles at the young soldiers, tells them it s all right
Cm Eb

He knows of their fear in the forthcoming flight

Cm

Eb

Soon there ll be blood and many will die

Cm

F

Mothers and fathers back home they will cry

[repeat chorus]

Verse 2:

He mumbles a prayer and it ends with a smile

The order is given, they move down the line

But he stay ll [sic] behind and he ll meditate

But it won t stop the bleeding or ease the hate

Verse 3:

And the young men move out into the battle zone

He feels good, with God you re never alone

He feels so tired and he lays on his bed

Hopes the men will find courage in the words that he said

[repeat chorus]

Interlude:

2:49 twin guitar solo over Bb

3:10 sound effects enter

3:56 bagpipes enter, guitars fade

5:01 bagpipes and effects fade; acoustic guitar and bass enter

Eb [4X; strings enter 3rd time]

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Verse 4:

You re soldiers of God, you must understand

The fate of your country is in your young hands

May God give you strength, do your job real well

If it all was worth it, only time it will tell

Verse 5:

In the morning they returned with tears in their eyes

The stench of death drifts up to the skies

A young soldier so ill looks at the Sky Pilot

Remembers the words, Thou shalt not kill

[repeat chorus, 2X]

Coda [repeat to fade]:

Cm

Eb

Bb

You ll never (never) (never) reach the sky

-- another ace 60 s tab from Andrew Rogers