(And) That’s The Way It Was
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Verse 1
TWO HUNDRED YEARS AGO OUR FATHERS FOUGHT
TO BRING OUR COUNTRY’S LIBERTY
THE BLOOD OF THESE COURAGEOUS MEN
WAS USED TO WRITE THE WORDS TO THE SONG
MY COUNTRY ‘TIS OF THEE
THEY BLAZED A TRAIL TO THE VIRGIN LAND
WITH A STRONG BACKBONE AND AN IRON HAND
THEY WENT WHERE NO MAN DARED TO GO
WITH THE BLADES OF STEEL AND SKILLFUL BOWS
AND THAT’S THE WAY IT WAS TWO HUNDRED YEARS AGO

Chorus 1
IF THESE GREAT MEN DIED IN VAIN
WILL HISTORY JUST RECORD THEIR NAME
A STATUE OF A MARBLE MAN
A BIBLE PLACED BENEATH HIS HAND
IN GOD WE TRUST, WILL THAT BE JUST
A POEM SOMEONE DEFACED
AND THE FLAG WOULD BE JUST A BLANKET
FOR SOME GREAT SOLDIER’S GRAVE

Verse 2
TWO THOUSAND YEARS AGO THE FATHER SENT HIS SON
TO BREAK THE CHAINS THAT HAD US BOUND
THE BLOOD OF THIS SWEET JESUS MAN
WAS USED TO WRITE THE WORDS TO THE SONG
AMAZING GRACE HOW SWEET THE SOUND
A CROWN, A CROSS, A BORROWED GRAVE
HE GAVE HIS LIFE TO GIVE HIS GRACE
HE WENT WHERE NO MAN DARED TO GO
FROM THE GATES OF PEARL TO HELL BELOW
AND THAT’S THE WAY IT WAS TWO THOUSAND YEARS AGO
Chorus 2
IF THIS GREAT MAN DIED IN VAIN
WOULD SCRIPTURE JUST RECORD HIS NAME
A CROSS UPON A STEEPLE HIGH
SIGNIFIES THAT SOMEONE DIED
KING OF KINGS WAS NOT JUST A THING
INSCRIBED ABOVE HIS HEAD
THE WHOLE WORLD BOWS BEFORE HIM
OUR KING ISN’T DEAD
AND THAT’S THE WAY IT IS, THAT’S THE WAY IT WAS
TWO HUNDRED, TWO THOUSAND YEARS AGO

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