

# Holy Wars...The Punishment Due

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Rust In Peace

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Standard tuning

♩ = 160

**Intro**

S-Gt

T  
A  
B

♩ = 168

9

T  
A  
B

19

T  
A  
B

29

T  
A  
B

39

T  
A  
B

49

T  
A  
B

Brother will kill brother

Spilling blood across the

59

**Verse**

*f*

T  
A  
B

land

Killing for religion

Something I don't understand

66

T  
A  
B

Fools like me,

who cross the sea

And come to foreign lands

Ask the sheep,

71

T  
A  
B

for their beliefs

Do you kill on God's command?

A country that's divided

76

T  
A  
B



Down in my seat of judgement

Gavel's bang, uphold the law

Up on my soapbox, a leader

Out to change the world

105

T  
A  
B

0-0-0-0-0-0 0-0-0-0-0-0 0-0-0-0-0-0 0-0-0-0-0-0

Down in my pulpit as the holier

Than-thou-could-be-messengerGOD!

### Pre-Verse

109

T  
A  
B

0-0-0-0-0-0 0-0-0-0-0-0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Wage the war

on organized crime

### Verse

116

T  
A  
B

15 17 (15) 15 12-10 12-10 12 10

Sneak attacks

repel down the rocks

Behind the

lines

123

T  
A  
B

12 10-12 (12) 15-15-15-12 15-14 12-12-10 12-10

Some people risk

to employ me

Some people live

127

T  
A  
B

to destroy me

Either way they

die

They die....

130

T  
A  
B

### Solo (Friedman)

135

T  
A  
B

They killed ....

my wife, and my baby

### Pre-Verse

### Verse

143

T  
A  
B

With hopes

to en

slave me

First mistake!

150

*mf*                      *f*

T  
A  
B

last mistake!

Paid by the alliance

to slay all the

giants

155

T  
A  
B

Next mistake...

No more mistake

159

T  
A  
B

Solo (Friedman)

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Bridge

166

T  
A  
B

175

T  
A  
B

Solo (Mustaine)

185

T  
A  
B

194

T  
A  
B

204

T  
A  
B

214

Verse

Fill the cracks in with

T  
A  
B

15- 15- 15- 15- 15- 12

judicial granite Be cause I don't say it do n't mean I ain't Thinkin' it

222

T  
A  
B

15- 15- 12- 14- 15- 12- 19- 15- 15- 15- 14- 12- 12- 12- 10- 12- 10- 12- 10- 12

Next thing you know they'll take my thoughts away I

227

T  
A  
B

15- 15- 15- 15- 15- 15- 15- 15- 14- 12- 14- 15- 12

know what I said now I must scream of the overdose

232

T  
A  
B

19- 15- 15- 15- 12- 12- 12- 12- (12)- 12- 15

dos dos And the lack of mercy

237

T  
A  
B

mercy killings killings killings killings

242

T  
A  
B

killings... **Outro** Next thing you know

247

T  
A  
B

they'll take my thoughts away.....

254

T  
A  
B