

If Your Son Asked for Fish

If your son asked for fish would you give him a snake?
If he asked for a drink would you throw him some dust?
If he needed a coat would you give him a belt?
If he wanted a home would you show him the street?
If he asked for some cash would you double his debt?
If he needed hope would you pile on the blame?
If he hungered for meat would you sell him a bone?
If he asked for a loaf would you give him a stone?

If your son asked for fish would you give him a snake?
If he asked for a gun would you teach him to shoot?
If he profits from filth would you license his trade?
If he's making a bomb is your Semtex for sale?
If he's trusting in lies would you guard him from truth?
If he's looking for death would you hand him a rope?
If he's mainlining heroin refuse methadone?
If he asked for a loaf would you give him a stone?

If your son asked for fish would you give him a snake?
If he longed for a world would you give him a womb?
If he needed a cot would a manger make do?
If he asked for a church would you just give him us?
If he hoped for a throne would you nail him a cross?
If he begged for release would you pass him the cup?
When he needed you most would you leave him alone?
If he asked for a loaf would you give him a stone?