

## Cockburn Bruce

### "To Raise The Morning Star"

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(Originally from the album "Stealing Fire")

rising like lightspill from this sleeping town  
like the light in a lover's eyes  
rising from the hearts of the sleepers all around  
all those dreamers trying to light the sky

burning -- all night long  
burning -- at the gates of dawn  
singing -- near and far  
singing -- to raise the morning star

rising like lightning in the pregnant air  
it's electric -- i can feel its might  
i can feel it crackling in my nails and hair --  
makes me feel like i'm dancing on feet of light

burning -- all night long  
burning -- at the gates of dawn  
singing -- near and far  
singing -- to raise the morning star

singing for the yellow and the brown and the black  
for the red and the white people, too  
dovetailing strong points with the things we lack  
singing for the people like me and you

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