

## Ayreon

# "Ayreon's Fate"

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[A. Ayreon's fate]

AYREON DESPERATELY ATTEMPTS TO CONVINC  
MERLIN OF HIS SINCERITY,  
BUT MERLIN WON'T HEAR OF IT AND CASTS HIS SPELL  
ON POOR AYREON.

[AYREON:]  
misguided Merlin  
you fail to understand  
I could never be your rival  
I was just a pawn  
in a future masterplan  
for the purpose of survival

[MERLIN:]  
Ayreon, I've cast my spell upon you  
I have no faith, you cannot be true  
Ayreon!

[AYREON:]  
I forgive you Merlin  
for you don't know what you've done  
even for you, it was all a mystery  
one day you'll see  
that I was the one  
who could change the course of history

[MERLIN:]  
Ayreon, you're words are all in vain  
close your eyes, there'll be no more pain  
oh Ayreon...

[B. Merlin's prophecy]

MERLIN IS STRICKEN WITH GRIEF FOR HE HAS HAD A  
VISION  
THAT PROVES AYREON TO BE GENUINE.  
RELUCTANT TO PASS INTO ETERNITY AS THE MARTYR  
OF MANKIND,  
MERLIN VOWS THAT AYREON'S WORD WILL BE SPREAD  
IN THE 20TH CENTURY,

IN THE HOPE THAT IT WILL NOT BE TOO LATE AND THAT  
MAN WILL HEED  
HIS PREMONITIONS.

[MERLIN:]

I see one day  
his story will be told  
at the end of the 20th century  
I see one day  
the truth will unfold  
and the quest has now begun  
oh Ayreon!

I hope one day  
that man will understand  
it's in his power to change his destiny  
I hope one day  
he'll do all that he can  
and all the nations will be one  
oh Ayreon!

[C. Epilogue]

THE OUTCOME OF THE FINAL EXPERIMENT HAS NOW  
BEEN PLACED IN YOUR HANDS.

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