

## Elvis Costello

# "The Unfailing Welcome To The Voice"

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(costello/nieve)

Above the tears

Before the scream

Invisible and secret scar

The true salvation is the human voice

Beloved voices of the past

The forever stifled voice

Tender echoes

Lost cause

Miserable voice

Whispering voice

Incantations

Immaterial instrument

Attentive mothers

Darkness lighting lullabies

Stare of silence

Cruel disease

The \_\_\_\_\_ gag of hate

Unfailing welcome to the voice

Be welcome

Attractive red fruit of the mouth

Dangerous message on my skin

I feel so fluid

Lighter than air

Shy caress

A fleeting bride's veil on the throat

Forbidden kisses to drink

\_\_\_\_\_ siren

Virtuous sound

Vocal pleasure

Pleasure vocal

It's the real way to be drunk  
To desert the common place  
Sacred [bluesy prophet? ]

I'm a slave to the voice  
Unfailing welcome to the voice  
In every tone a poignant oath

Voices to pray to fly to escape  
[harmonized]  
The sublimation of the hopes

The sublimation of the hopes  
Spiritual vehicle of thought  
The voice [is boundless? ]

I love the voice

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