

## Man Alive

# "Catch Phrases, Slogans, And Chants"

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Can we stop all the screaming and shouting aloud  
Of catch phrases and slogans and chants unthought  
out?  
So emotionally driven with no room for doubt  
But maybe we've got it all wrong

In a place where the weakest of men have to shout  
And the pages of history are changed or torn out  
There's still more to this take than could ever be taught  
Or maybe we've got it all wrong

I can hear it  
I still hear it  
The drum that beats and the march it is leading  
I can hear it  
Won't adhere to it now or ever, speak out

Our task at hand seems somehow to be obvious to  
them  
But what comes after that is no surprise to us again  
It seems this repetition has its way of seeping in  
Or maybe we've got it all wrong

Just step foot in a classroom and see what is taught  
And the faces that hang with great pride from the walls  
With the others left waiting and groomed up and ready  
to fall  
And somehow you hold on to your cause

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I still hear it  
The drum that beats and the march it is leading  
I can hear it  
Won't adhere to it now or ever

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The drum that beats and the march it is leading  
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There are times for silence

And there are times for action  
But mostly there are times to listen  
And listen with some love

There are wars that I can see and there are others that I  
can't  
There are battles I can win and victories that can't be  
had  
And all I ask is for your hand  
And all I ask is for your hand  
To turn this around

I still hear it  
I can hear it  
The drum that beats and the march it is leading  
I can hear it  
Won't adhere to it now or ever

Can you hear it?  
Can you hear it?  
The words of the province rejoin the living  
I can hear it  
Leave to me to point out  
Forever speak out

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