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"Memoirs: A Trilogy: The Voice/Good King Wenceslaus/Hark the Herald Ange"

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The Voice

Follow the footsteps Or travel down your own road Designing your fate Hear what your heart says Still you decide which way to go Your life's an open gate

(CHORUS) 'Le bon et 'le mal These are the voices We nous somme liberti' We make the choices

Echoes of laughter Dancing in distant corridors With the tears of hearts undone Dreams we chase after Give us the key to any door We are what we become

(REPEAT CHORUS)

Holding and reaching We face the calm, we face the fear As we learn to win and love Voices and speaking Still we hear what we want to hear Our life is ours to choose

Chorus

Good King Wenceslaus

Good King Wenceslaus looked out on the feast of Stephen. When the snow lay round about, deep and crisp and even. Brightly shone the moon that night, though the frost was cruel,

When a poor man came in sight, gathering winter fuel.

Hither page and stand by me if thou knowst it telling Yonder peasant, who is he, where and what his dwelling?

Sire, he lives a good league hence, underneath the mountain,

Right against the forest fence, by Saint Agnes' fountain.

Bring me flesh and bring me wine, bring me pinelogs hither

Thou and I will see him dine when we bear them thither Page and monarch forth they went, forth they went together

Through the rude winds wild lament, and the bitter weather.

Sire the night is darker now, and the wind blows stronger

Fails my heart, I know not how, I can go no longer. Mark my footsteps my good page, tread thou in them boldly

Thou shalt find the winter's rage freeze thy blood less coldly.

In his master's steps he trod where the snow lay dinted Heat was in the very sod which the saint had printed Therefore Christian men be sure, wealth or rank possessing,

Ye who now will bless the poor, shall yourselves find blessing.

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Angels we have heard on high Sweetly singing o'er the plains And the mountains in reply Echo back their joyus strains

Gloria O Gloria in excelsis Deo (x4)

Come to Bethlehem and see (Gloria O sing Gloria) Him whose birth the angels sing (Gloria O sing Gloria) Come adore on bended knee Christ the Lord the newborn king Gloria O Gloria in excelsis Deo (x4)

Angels we have heard on high (Gloria O sing Gloria) Sweetly singing o'er the plains (Gloria O sing Gloria) Jesus Lord of heav'n and earth With us sing our Savior's birth

Gloria O Gloria in exelsis Deo (x8)

Alleluia

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