

Corb Lund "The Truth Comes Out"

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the truth comes out as the fire burns low
it comes to light as only embers glow
the whiskey talks, the west wind moans in the night

the deadfall's gathered and the branches are cut
kindling crackles and the smoke curls up
the small sticks catch then the bigger stuff will burn

chinook dies down as the dark descends
pine has burned, the ash has cleansed
the message smolders, is lost, but finally sent

connie says she's never seen the cougars so bold
they're comin in the yard and they're stealin young
colts
they drag em in the brush with the claws sunk in their
nose

the weather's been funny thirty years or so
the winters got warm, not as much snow
hear the big cats comin cuz there's nowhere left to go
you gotta look out for bear when you're fishing on lee's
creek
they'll come round the bend and they'll make your
knees weak
there's grizzlies where there was no grizzly bears
before

half heard voices from the ghosts, from the graves
the grandfathers tell us at the mouths of the caves
only old chiefs older than jesus can save us now, if
we're lucky

white man light a big fire, stay cold
the red man's warmer, but the old man's old
the antelope seeks the buffalo in the night

the antelope mourns the buffalo in the night

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