## Kristina "We Open Up The Gateways"

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Brusander
Now surely you know
That the country you go to
Is ruled by the law of the heathen
It's a land of deceivers!
Hear me out, Kristina
Their nation is godless
Their prophets are pagans
And never true believers!

Robert
They say it's a country
Where no man is master

Karl Oskar
Where farmers like me can look forward
To the harvesting season

Kristina
With a heavy heart
I will go with my husband
I go for the children
And that's my only reason

Brusander
Fifty years from today
There will be no America, you know

Church warden and others
Yes, America it will have disappeared
Fifty years from this day

Brusander
Just you mark my words
You'll be sorry if you go

## Emigrants There is nothing to add We are leaving whatever you say

So come,
We open up the gateway
Come,
We've started on the quest
Come,
The stories from America
Encourage and inspire

Yes come,
We open up the gateway
Come,
It opens to the West!
Come,
The promise of a second chance
Is spreading like a fire

Brusander (to Danjel)
This country you go to
Is full of pretenders
They bow to their idols
And all they seek is trifles and treasure
There, Ulrika, men always
Yield to desire
A land full of lewdness
And lechery and pleasure

Danjel
I trust in my God
He will lead me to freedom
He'll light up my path
I'm relying on the signs that He shows me

Ulrika
I must get away
From these backstabbing lechers
And start, good as new,
In a place where no-one knows me

Brusander
Fifty years from today
You will see how America will fail

Church warden and others
Yes, America, it will have been erased
Fifty years from this day

Brusander
Just you mark my words
You'll be sorry if you sail

Emigrants

There is no more to add

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It's a slow and hesitant beginning
In a land of little change
Hard to summon up the steel
To brave a world unknown

And the thought of braking up from home is

Unfamiliar and strange

Yet so many risk their lives

And everything they own

So come,
We open up the gateway
Come,
The mighty river flows
Come,
The promise of a better life

## Has set a world in motion

Yes come,
We open up the gateway
Come,
The mighty river grows
Come,
The tide has turned and
Time has come to reach across the Ocean

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