

If You Would Rise with Me

Refrain: If you would rise with me, then you must die with me,
and leave behind the chains of your captivity.
And if you rise above you'll see the vision of
the beauty that you are, made in the image of my love.

Are you held prisoner by the desires of your body?
Does acquisition of possessions absorb your every hour?
Is your whole life spent in making endless payments
to the little gods who bind us by the illusion of their power? **Refrain**

Are you held prisoner by fickle vain emotion?
Do your feelings drag you through the day as the situations call?
Must you rely on other people to make you happy?
Do you see yourself a victim with no control at all? **Refrain**

Are you held prisoner by the intellects of others?
Have you handed to authorities the job of making up your mind?
Are your thoughts all based on unexamined assumptions
that rob you of the beauty of the new worlds you might find? **Refrain**

It's your decision. No one else can make it for you.
You can be the master or you can be the slave.
The laws of God are not the limits of our freedom
but rather they're a freedom reaching far beyond the grave. **Refrain**