

In the Dark

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They said "God Bless the Prince of Wales Let us hope that he prevails." The souvenirs provide details Of distant monarchy

Moving through the human tide With the Princess at his side Tribesmen cheer and gaze wide-eyed At such celebrity

The Royal smile from magazines Waving hands from limousines The crowd holds pictures of the Queen The magic entity

These images are beamed to me Ten thousand miles across the sea Lately I don't seem to be Concerned with what they mean

In the dark, in the dark Oh I never saw the danger or the spark
In the dark, in the dark I was feeling like a stranger 'Cause
I never saw the changes in your heart

Those angry words you soon regret Are gone but not forgotten yet She may forgive, she won't forget Each individual scar

You make it up and say no more And go on living like before But every wave erodes the shore And tarnishes the star

You sow each seed of discontent Wonder where the loving went Every night that's heaven sent The dawn can sweep away

And in the background all the time Like some ironic church bell chime You watch the Royal couple climb Towards their destiny

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So yes, let's bless the Prince of Wales Cheer for him and if all fails Wrap him in Valkyries' sails The golden vanity

I am free to choose my part But still can't find the place to start To find my way back to your heart That place of mystery

In Africa the anchor slips They bid farewell to the Royal ship The newly painted fences chip Life falls into routine

We go on from day to day Living in the usual way I don't know, and you won't say What happened in between

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