## Candlemass, Copernicus

Our names are written on the stars on heaven's tree Yes, nine by nine they die, just like you and me These peerless eyes look down, giving us our choices Each one calls out, a universe of voices

These are the ancient fathers, the laws that bind us all White jewels of mystery, mirrors for our souls They spoke of life and death, love and history Today the stars are for fools and vanity

And there's Orion and there's the Zodiac If you look close, they're needles in a stack And you saw, in your telescope on earth Copernicus, the order of the worlds

Evening caress Always yearning I must confess The stars aren't burning

Copernicus

The sky is full of shining crosses for our sins Each one a monument for what ends and what begins Small emerald satellites, orbiting so fast Will they be gone tomorrow, just like painted glass?

If I had wishes, I would shout to you and scream But now I realize, you're like young dying streams I'm in the real world, with people, crises and scars Copernicus, I don't care about your stars

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