

# Nick Cave, Cassiel's Song

We've come to bring you home  
Haven't we, Cassiel?

To cast aside your loss and all your sadness  
And shuffle off that mortal coil and mortal madness  
For we're here to pick you up and bring you home  
Aren't we, Cassiel?

It's a place where you did not belong  
Were time itself was mad and far too strong  
Where life leapt up laughing and hit you head on  
and hurt you, didn't it hurt you, Cassiel?

While time outran you and trouble flew toward you,  
and you were there to greet it,  
weren't you, foolish Cassiel?

But here we are, we've come to call you home  
and here you'll stay never more to stray  
Where you can kick off your boots of clay  
can't you, Cassiel?

For death and you did recklessly collide  
and time ran out of you  
and you ran out of time,  
didn't you, Cassiel?

and all the clocks, in all the world  
may this once just skip a beat in memory of you  
then again those damn clocks, they probably won't  
will they, Cassiel?

One moment you are there and then strangely you are gone,  
but on behalf of all of us here we are glad to have you home  
Aren't we, dear Cassiel?