The Nightwatchman, Flesh Shapes The Day

Now you might have heard different

But I know it's a fact

That Jesus, Mary, Joseph

And the Apostle Paul were black

Ten letters I am writing

Each one reads the same

Nine circles I am drawing

One around your name

Land and freedom

Steel and faith

Tooth and bone and wire

Skin, scar, dirt and fire

It doesn't matter who you are

It does not matter what you say

Flesh shapes the day

Now it's clear as a pillar of smoke

And broken Starbuck's glass

Yeah, I support my troops

They wave black flags

They wear black masks

All the roads are closed

Smoke is rising from the fields

The monsters left their cages

An angel set them free

Land and freedom

Steel and faith

Tooth and bone and wire

Skin, scar, dirt and fire

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Veteran's hospitals

And witches spells

Low to buy

And high to sell

And little girls

Collecting shells

And memories

Upon the shelves

And ringing bells

And high school choirs

And faithful dogs

Beside the fire

And billionaires

And open bars

And early exits

And judgments hard

And land and freedom

And steel and faith

And tooth and bone and wire

And skin, scar, dirt and fire

It doesn't matter who you are

Does not matter what the fuck you say

Flesh shapes the day