

Elvis Costello, The Unfailing Welcome To The Vo

(Costello/Nieve)

Above the tears
Before the scream
Invisible and secret scar
The true salvation is the human voice

Beloved voices of the past
The forever stifled voice

Tender echoes
Lost cause
Miserable voice
Whispering voice

Incantations
Immaterial instrument

Attentive mothers
Darkness lighting lullabies

Stare of silence
Cruel disease
The _____ gag of hate

Unfailing welcome to the voice
Be welcome

Attractive red fruit of the mouth
Dangerous message on my skin

I feel so fluid
Lighter than air
Shy caress

A fleeting bride's veil on the throat
Forbidden kisses to drink
_____ siren

Virtuous sound
Vocal pleasure
Pleasure vocal

It's the real way to be drunk
To desert the common place
Sacred [bluesy prophet?]

I'm a slave to the voice
Unfailing welcome to the voice
In every tone a poignant oath

Voices to pray to fly to escape
[harmonized]
The sublimation of the hopes

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Spiritual vehicle of thought
The voice [is boundless?]

I love the voice