Iron Maiden, The Legacy

(Gers/Harris)

Tell you a thing That you ought to know Two minutes of your time Then on you go

Tell tale of the men All dressed in black That most of them Not coming back

Sent off to the war To play little games And on their return Can't name no names

Some strange yellow gas Has played with their minds Has reddened their eyes Removed all the lies

And strange as it sounds Death knows no bounds How many get well Only time will tell Only time will tell

[Solo]

You lie in your death bed now But what did you bring to the table Brought us only holy sin Utter trust is a deadly thing

To the prayer of holy peace We didn't know what was lying underneath So how could we be such fools And to think that we thought you the answer

I can't begin to understand in all the lies But on your death bed I can see it in you eyes Just as clear as all the sweat upon your brow It really makes sense I can see it clearly now

Tangled up in a web of lies Could have been a way to prophesise Unaware of the consequence Not aware of the secrets that you kept

Nothing that we could believe To reveal the facade of faceless men Not a thing that we could foresee Now a sign that would tell us the outcome

You had us all strung out with Promises of peace But all along you cover plan was to deceive Can it put to rights now only time will tell Your prophecies will send us all to hell as well

Left to all our golden sons
All to pick up on the peace
You could have given all of them

A little chance... at least

Take the world to a better place Given them all just a little hope Just think what a legacy You know... will leave

[Solo]

We seem destinated to live in fear And some that would say Armageddon is near But where there's a life while there's hope That man won't self destruct

Why can't we treat our fellow men
With more respect and a shake of their hands
But anger and loathing is rife
The death on all sides is
Becoming a way of life

We live in an uncertain world Fear understanding and ignorance Is leading to death Only the corpses are left For vultures that prey on their bones

But some are just not wanting peace Their whole life is death and misery The only thing that they know Fight fire with fire life is cheap

But if they do stop to think That man is teetering right on the brink But do you think that they care They benefit from death and pain and despair