

Prologue

Ayreon

THIS IS THE VOICE OF MERLIN. LISTEN WELL, FOR IT CONCERNS YOU.
THIS CHRONICLE COMMENCES IN THE YEAR 2084 A.D.
MANKIND HAS VIRTUALLY DESTROYED ITSELF. IT'S SURVIVAL DEPENDS ON
'THE FINAL EXPERIMENT'.
SCIENTISTS FROM THE 21ST CENTURY HAVE DEVELOPED A NEW COMPUTERPROGRAM
CALLED 'TIME TELEPATHY'. BY USING THIS TECHNIQUE THEY HAVE SENT
VISIONS OF HUMANITIES' DECLINE BACK IN TIME. THESE TRANSMISSIONS
HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE MIND OF A BLIND MINSTREL WHO LIVES IN
6TH CENTURY GREAT BRITAIN. HIS NAME
IS 'AYREON'.

IT SHALL BE AYREON'S QUEST TO SING OF THESE VISIONS AND THUS WARN
THE WORLD
OF ITS IMPENDING DOWNFALL IN ORDER TO CHANGE ITS FUTURE IN A LONG
AND PROSPEROUS ONE. LET US GO BACK TO 'THE DARK AGES'.