

Remember When the Music

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Remember when the music
Came from wooden boxes strung with silver wire
And as we sang the words, it would set our minds on fire
For we believed in things, and so we'd sing

Remember when the music
Brought us all together to stand inside the rain
And as we'd join our hands, we'd meet in the refrain
We had dreams to live, we had hopes to give

Remember when the music
Was the best of what we dreamed of for our children's time
As we sang we worked, we knew time was just a line
Gift we saved, a gift the future gave

All the times I've listened, and all the times I've heard
All the melodies I'm missing, and all the magic words
And all those potent voices, and the choices we had then
How I'd love to find we had that kind of choice again

Remember when the music
Was a glow on the horizon of every newborn day
And as we sang, the sun came up to chase the dark away
And life was good, for we knew we could

Remember when the music
Brought the night across the valley as the day went down
And as we'd hum the melody, we'd be safe inside the sound
And so we'd sleep, we had dreams to keep

So now I feel that something's coming, and it's not just in the
wind
It's more than just tomorrow, and it's more than where we've be
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It's something like a promise, it's something like begin
Don't you know we're needing something worth believing in

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