The Man Who Would Be King

Iron Maiden

As he travels on the beast of burden Moving up along the mountainside As he gazes looking down the valley No regrets but his pride

As he journeys across mountain passes Insignificance sweeps over him His reflection of the beauty round him Feeling empty inside

He is running from his wildest thoughts He is running from his everything He is looking now to find something Hoping he can be saved

He's searching for the answer now It's something that he's managed to avoid up 'til now Real conviction that the craves He needs to find the answer sooner or later

Pushed himself to the limits He had to strive for all the harder things in life But what the cost of giving now His life his time are the only things that he has

Life is not a rehearsal All he has is the one chance to get it right Leaving really is the only way to know

Maybe one day they'll forgive him what he's done But now the pain of lying too early in the grave

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He tries to make his peace with God All is forgivable but it's left a little late Trying something that he's not Is it possible to change such a lot

He's taken someone's life away There's not a day goes by He regrets what he's done He should have found another way But the good book says an eye for an eye

In reflecting of decisions that were made On the judgements that will haunt him 'til his grave No one has the right to take another life But in his mind he had no choice So be it

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