

# The Masquerade

Voltaire

Every day the Masquerade is sending out the call  
Every day that Night Bregade came crashing through that door  
They said "What are you doing siting all alone just staring at the telephone  
?

There's a place we know that you can go and join in the parade"  
And I said "I'm just sitting here licking my wounds  
And I don't think I'll be finished soon  
Where can I find a place to hide from this mess I've made?"

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Blast and break through  
They dragged me to this zoo  
"Put your mask on: That's the key"  
Which animal is right for me?  
So I burst through the pearly gates and  
I was alarmed by what awaited  
They greeted me with open arms: Like I was one of them  
And I felt right away they let me in  
Absolved me of my prior sins  
So I shed this wretched skin at last!  
And I became the mask!

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It's a chance to leave it all behind (leave it all behind)  
Start again, begin a brand new life  
They were right that I wouldn't hate it  
To think that I hesitated  
I finally checked my checkered past  
And i'm not going back!

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Come along don't you fear the Masquerade!  
Step in: Don't be afraid  
Take your pain and deepest shame  
And let them go a the Masquerade!  
Grab a mask and cover up your face!  
Wrap yourself in silk brocade.  
Just forget the mistakes you made  
Cause no one cares at the Masquerade!