

THE SILENT VOICE WITHIN

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Songs of Light and Becoming

ALBUM OVERVIEW

A journey from the light within to love in action

This first album by The Silent Voice Within gathers ten songs inspired by the teachings of The Urantia Book. They are not written to impose belief. They offer an experience: listening for the light within, recognizing the dignity of every person, and allowing faith to become a way of living.

THE ALBUM'S JOURNEY

The sequence forms a deliberate journey. It begins in the silence of the soul, opens into human kinship, passes through anxiety, truth, service, forgiveness, and grief, then widens toward the living universe, collective awakening, and love made visible through action.

A NOTE TO THE READER

This public songbook is an invitation to encounter the words behind the music. Each song is accompanied by its story and its place in the album's journey. Technical production notes, vocal instructions and creation prompts have been intentionally omitted so that the lyrics and their spiritual meaning can remain at the centre of the reading experience.

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TRACK 01

In the Silence, There Is Light

The inner divine presence, freedom, and the birth of the soul

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

This opening song is the spiritual seed of the album. It listens beneath the noise for a divine light that never commands or takes control. Guidance is offered patiently, while every response remains a free human choice. In that meeting of inner light and willing action, the soul begins to grow.

ITS PLACE IN THE ALBUM

The album opens in the most intimate place: the free encounter between the human will and the quiet light within.

LYRICS

[Verse 1]

When the world is loud around me
I can lose the way within
Still beneath the rush and thunder
There is quiet drawing in

Not a warning, not a commandment
Not a hand that takes control
Just a light that waits in patience
In the temple of my soul

[Chorus]

In the silence, there is light
Faithful, patient, always near
Never forcing, never choosing
Only making goodness clear

When I choose to love and serve
When I reach for truth and beauty
Something mortal grows eternal
As my will turns toward the Source

[Verse 2]

Deep within this sanctuary
Rests a fragment of the Source
Never mapping out my journey
Never turning me by force

Through my failures and my questions
That light holds what I may be
Every choice for truth and goodness
Shapes the soul becoming me

[Chorus]

In the silence, there is light
Faithful, patient, always near
Never forcing, never choosing
Only making goodness clear

When I choose to love and serve
When I reach for truth and beauty
Something mortal grows eternal
As my will turns toward the Source

[Bridge]

I had searched the world for answers
I had followed louder signs
Now I know the truest guidance
Never silences what is mine

No one forces open the doorway
No one ever takes my place
Freedom is the gift between us
Love is how I make the space

As I choose the true and beautiful
As I serve the ones I meet
Human will and light within me
Find one purpose, strong and free

[Final Chorus]

In the silence, there is light
Faithful, patient, always near
Never forcing, never choosing
Only making goodness clear

When we choose to love and serve
When we reach for truth and beauty
Something mortal grows eternal
As our lives turn toward the Source

In the silence, we are guided
In our freedom, we reply
Every loving choice is building
Something greater than this life

[Outro]

In the silence of the spirit
No one ever takes our place
Light is offered, choice is sacred
Love is how we open space
Listen inward... choose in freedom...
Let your living be the answer...

TRACK 02

Under the Same Light

Universal kinship without erasing difference

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

The second song moves outward from the sanctuary of the individual soul toward the whole human family. Its central image is deliberately simple: many roads, languages and stories can exist beneath one light. Difference is not erased; it becomes part of a larger kinship in which no person stands outside the family.

ITS PLACE IN THE ALBUM

The inward light now widens into human kinship, establishing that spiritual awakening must deepen our regard for others.

LYRICS

[Verse 1]

I was taught to draw the circles
Marking who was in or out
Names and borders, fear and distance
Built their walls from every doubt

But beneath the words that divide us
Every person bears the light
Known and loved by one eternal Father
Each one precious in his sight

[Pre-Chorus]

If one Father holds us dearly
No one stands outside the door
Every stranger is a neighbor
Every neighbor, something more

[Chorus]

Under the same light, beneath the same sky
Different roads before us, one calling deep inside
No one is a stranger when love becomes our sight
Children of one Father, one family in the light

[Verse 2]

Unity is never sameness
Love does not erase a name
Every story, every language
Adds a color to the flame

I don't need to share your answers
To look you gently in the eyes
When I listen to your story
Something in the distance dies

[Pre-Chorus]

We are more than what divides us
More than fear has taught us to be
Every act of understanding
Shows the family we can see

[Chorus]

Under the same light, beneath the same sky
Different roads before us, one calling deep inside
No one is a stranger when love becomes our sight
Children of one Father, one family in the light

[Bridge]

Let me meet you past the labels
Past the wounds we both defend
Not to conquer, not to change you
But to know you as a friend

Peace begins in small encounters
At a table, face to face
Every time we choose each other
We give living truth a place

When I serve the one before me
When I lift the one who falls
Love becomes a living answer
Stronger than dividing walls

[Final Chorus]

Under the same light, beneath the same sky
Different roads before us, one calling deep inside
No one is a stranger when love becomes our sight
Children of one Father, one family in the light

Under the same light, we are standing side by side
Many hearts and many stories, none of them denied
Let the circle keep on widening; there is room for every life
We are many, we are different, still one family in the light

[Outro]

Under the same light
No one is a stranger here
Under the same light
Every life belongs

One Father...
One family...
Under the same light...

TRACK 03

When the World Won't Be Still

Inner peace that becomes present, courageous action

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

Written for lives surrounded by alerts, acceleration and anxious headlines, this song refuses both denial and withdrawal. Peace is not an escape from the world, but the clarity needed to choose the next good act. Breathing, becoming present and acting in love become a practical spiritual discipline.

ITS PLACE IN THE ALBUM

The first test of hope arrives in contemporary anxiety: inner peace must become presence, clarity and courageous action.

LYRICS

[Verse 1]

Every screen is sounding warnings
Every road is running fast
Tomorrow gathers like a thunder
As if peace belonged to the past

I won't pretend the fear is nothing
I can feel it in my chest
But beneath the noise and hurry
There is somewhere I can rest

[Pre-Chorus]

I return to what is present
To the breath, the choice, the need
I cannot hold the whole horizon
But I can choose the next good deed

[Chorus]

When the world won't be still
There is peace beneath the noise
Not a shelter from the living
But a clearer way to choose

I am held within a love
Larger than the fear I feel
When the world won't be still
Love can teach my heart to be still

[Verse 2]

Peace is not a door I close
Not a place where I can hide
It is strength to meet another
With an open heart and eyes

I cannot silence every siren
I cannot mend the world alone
But I can bring a steady kindness
To the place that I call home

[Pre-Chorus]

Every moment gives an opening
Every person gives a way
To turn anxiety to service
And bring light into the day

[Chorus]

When the world won't be still
There is peace beneath the noise
Not a shelter from the living
But a clearer way to choose

I am held within a love
Larger than the fear I feel
When the world won't be still
Love can teach my heart to be still

[Bridge]

If tomorrow brings its trouble
Grace will meet me when it comes
I don't have to live a future
That has not yet begun

Let me be a quiet presence
Not withdrawn, but fully here
Let the peace I find within me
Become courage in another's fear

I am rooted in a goodness
No confusion can destroy
Peace is more than being sheltered
It is faith becoming joy

[Final Chorus]

When the world won't be still
There is peace beneath the noise
Not a shelter from the living
But a clearer way to choose

We are held within a love
Larger than the fear we feel
When the world won't be still
Love can teach our hearts to be still

When the headlines turn to thunder
We can answer without fear
With a kindness that is steady
With a love that brings us near

[Outro]

I cannot hold the whole horizon
I can only choose what's real
In the middle of the clamor
There is peace my soul can feel

Breathe...
Be present...
Choose in love...

TRACK 04

Let the Truth Come Alive

Truth lived through love rather than imposed through certainty

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

This song begins with an honest confession: truth can become a weapon, a wall or a contest to win. Its turning point is not a stronger argument, but a question—do I live what I understand? Patience, mercy and respect for freedom become the clearest evidence that truth has genuinely come alive.

ITS PLACE IN THE ALBUM

At the album's turning point toward mature faith, truth is measured by the life and love it produces.

LYRICS

[Verse 1]

I used to hold my answers
Like a lantern raised up high
So busy pointing out the road
I missed the light in someone's eyes
I thought truth needed my defense
And every doubt had to be won
But truth will never shine more brightly
By leaving someone in the dark

[Pre-Chorus]

Now I hear it in the silence
Not as thunder or command
Just a quiet invitation:
Will you live what you understand?

[Chorus]

Let the truth come alive
In the way I choose to love
Not a weapon, not a wall
Not a voice that stands above
Let it breathe through every kindness
Let it shine without a claim
Truth is more than what I tell you
It's the life behind my name

[Verse 2]

I can share what I have witnessed
I can tell you what I know
But I cannot choose your footsteps
Or command your soul to grow
Every heart must find its doorway
Every seed must have its time
Love can wait beside the question
Till the answer comes alive

[Pre-Chorus]

If the truth has touched my spirit
Let it make my spirit kind
Let it open, not imprison
Leave no honest heart behind

[Chorus]

Let the truth come alive
In the way I choose to love
Not a weapon, not a wall
Not a voice that stands above
Let it breathe through every kindness
Let it shine without a claim
Truth is more than what I tell you
It's the life behind my name

[Bridge]

If my faith makes me less tender
If my certainty brings fear
Then I've lost the living meaning
Of the light I claim is here
Let my patience be the witness
Let my mercy be the proof
May the life I place before you
Speak more clearly of the truth

[Final Chorus]

Let the truth come alive
In the way we choose to love
Not a weapon, not a wall
Not a voice that stands above
Let it breathe through every kindness
Let it shine without a claim
Truth is more than words between us
It is love made visible

No one owns the light completely
No one walks the road alone
What is true will make us freer
Love will always lead us home

[Outro]

Let it live in how I listen
Let it live in what I do
May the quiet light within me
Make the love I offer true

Let the truth come alive

TRACK 05

What We Give in Love

Service as self-giving that awakens the soul

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

A life measured only by achievement can remain inwardly empty. This song discovers meaning in the need directly before us and in kindness freely offered. It also protects an essential truth: service is not self-erasure. Love awakens the soul while caring for both the receiver and the giver.

ITS PLACE IN THE ALBUM

This midpoint gives hope hands. Meaning moves from inward discovery toward service freely offered in daily life.

LYRICS

[Verse 1]

I kept count of every victory
Every rung and every mile
I built my worth from what I gathered
Learned to hide behind a smile
Still the room inside grew emptier
Every prize became a weight
I kept asking what would fill me
While a need stood at my gate

[Pre-Chorus]

You were never made for keeping
All your light within your hands
There is meaning in the moment
When you help another stand

[Chorus]

What we give in love remains
When the praise and prizes fade
Every kindness freely offered
Leaves a light along the way
We don't lose ourselves in service
We become more truly whole
What we give in love remains
And the giving wakes the soul

[Verse 2]

Service is not self-erasure
Not a debt you have to pay
It is love becoming action
In the choices of the day
Meet the lonely with your presence
Stand beside the one unseen
Bring the gift that you can carry
Without praise for what it means

[Pre-Chorus]

I can start with what is near me
With the gifts that I can bring
I don't have to save the whole world
Love can live in one small thing

[Chorus]

What we give in love remains
When the praise and prizes fade
Every kindness freely offered
Leaves a light along the way
We don't lose ourselves in service
We become more truly whole
What we give in love remains
And the giving wakes the soul

[Bridge]

[Male] What if I have little left?

[Female] Then give only what is true

[Male] What if I must rest and heal?

[Female] Love must also care for you

[Male] I cannot carry every sorrow

[Female] You were never asked to try

We can meet the need before us
And let love become our guide

[Final Chorus]

What we give in love remains
When the praise and prizes fade
Every kindness freely offered
Leaves a light along the way
We don't lose ourselves in service
We become more truly whole
What we give in love remains
And the giving wakes the soul

When our hands are opened freely
There is more than we can see
Every act of humble service
Plants a seed of dignity

[Outro]

[Male] I was searching for a meaning

[Female] It was waiting to be lived

We become more truly human
Through the love we freely give

[Both] What we give in love remains

TRACK 06

I Won't Carry This Forever

Forgiveness, healthy boundaries, and freedom from resentment

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

This healing song avoids an easy spiritual shortcut: forgiveness does not minimize harm, erase memory or require a return to an unsafe place. It names the wound, preserves the right to say no and presents mercy as the freedom to stop letting pain define the future.

ITS PLACE IN THE ALBUM

The journey enters wounded memory and shows that hope can release resentment without surrendering truth or healthy boundaries.

LYRICS

[Verse 1]

I have kept the broken moment
Like a stone beneath my skin
Every word we left unspoken
Every place the hurt got in
I thought anger kept me safer
I thought mercy made me weak
But the walls I built around me
Kept out all the peace I seek

[Pre-Chorus]

I don't have to call it harmless
I don't have to hide the truth
I can name the wound between us
And decide what it won't do

[Chorus]

I won't carry this forever
I can lay the burden down
I can honor what was broken
Without letting pain define me now
Forgiveness is not forgetting
It is freedom I can choose
I won't carry this forever
I can heal and still speak truth

[Verse 2]

There are things I wish I'd altered
Words I cannot call back home
I have been the judge and prisoner
In a trial I held alone
If I offer grace to others
Can I offer some to me?
I am more than my worst moment
I am still becoming free

[Pre-Chorus]

Every heart can turn toward goodness
Every day can start again
Grace does not erase the story
It can change the way it ends

[Chorus]

I won't carry this forever
I can lay the burden down
I can honor what was broken
Without letting pain define me now
Forgiveness is not forgetting
It is freedom I can choose
I won't carry this forever
I can heal and still speak truth

[Bridge]

I can love you from a distance
I can bless and still say no
Healing does not ask my spirit
To return where it can't grow
If one day the door between us
Opens safely into light
May we meet without the weapons
We have carried through the night

Until then I choose compassion
For your journey and for mine
I release what I can't alter
And entrust the rest to time

[Final Chorus]

We won't carry this forever
We can lay the burden down
We can honor what was broken
Without letting pain define us now
Forgiveness is not forgetting
It is freedom we can choose
We won't carry this forever
We can heal and still speak truth

Where the wound once made a prison
May a window open wide
Mercy does not make us smaller
It gives love a place to rise

[Outro]

I remember, but I'm breathing
I still tremble, but I stand
Peace is what I choose to carry
When I open up my hands
I can lay the burden down

TRACK 07

Beyond the Last Horizon

Eternal becoming, grief, and hope beyond death

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

The seventh song turns toward mortality without making grief small. Its hope rests on a spiritual intuition: what truth, goodness, courage and love build within the soul is not wasted. The horizon remains mysterious, yet the next visible step can still be taken toward the light.

ITS PLACE IN THE ALBUM

Facing grief and mortality, the album carries hope beyond what can presently be seen while remaining faithful to today's work.

LYRICS

[Verse 1]

I have stood beside the silence
When a voice I loved was gone
Felt the room grow cold around me
Wondered how the world moved on
I don't know what waits beyond us
I can't see across it all
But something in my soul keeps reaching
Past what looks to be a wall

[Pre-Chorus]

If each honest choice toward goodness
Becomes part of who we are
Then no love is ever wasted
And no light is lost to darkness

[Chorus]

Beyond the last horizon
There is more than I can see
Every choice I make in love
Shapes the soul I'm meant to be
I am more than one brief moment
More than what I leave behind
Beyond the last horizon
I keep journeying toward the light

[Verse 2]

Endless life is not escaping
From the work before my hands
It begins in every effort
To forgive and understand
Every truth I learn to live
Every kindness I make real
Shapes the soul that keeps becoming
More than time can hide or steal

[Pre-Chorus]

I don't have to hold tomorrow
I can trust the step in sight
All the future starts in silence
When the heart is choosing light

[Bridge]

I won't say that grief is simple
I won't make goodbye feel small
But I trust the love between us
Was not born to end at all
Every life is an adventure
Every soul has room to grow
Death may close a door behind us
Not the road we have to go

[Final Chorus]

Beyond the last horizon
There is more than we can see
Every choice we make in love
Shapes the souls we're meant to be
We are more than one brief moment
More than what we leave behind
Beyond the last horizon
We keep journeying toward the light
No true kindness will be wasted
No brave choice will disappear
All that grows within the spirit
Travels with us far from here

[Outro]

I don't have to see forever
I can take the step in sight
What begins in love within us
Keeps on reaching toward the light
The journey carries on

TRACK 08

A Universe Alive

Cosmic wonder, humility, and belonging in a living creation

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

After intimate grief, the album opens onto the stars. Scientific curiosity and spiritual humility meet in a universe that is larger, richer and more alive than our present understanding. Knowledge should deepen wonder and responsibility, not make humanity the master or measure of creation.

ITS PLACE IN THE ALBUM

The horizon expands from one human life to a living universe, joining wonder, humility and responsible belonging.

LYRICS

[Verse 1]

From this little world of oceans
I have watched the evening turn
Distant suns across the darkness
Carry light through endless years
I once thought the night was empty
Cold and silent, far from home
Now I sense creation breathing
And I know we're not alone

[Pre-Chorus]

Every answer opens wonder
Every distance humbles me
What I thought was empty darkness
Holds more life than I can see

[Chorus]

In a universe alive
I am small, but I belong
Every world beneath the heavens
Moves within a greater song
I don't need to be the center
I can listen, I can rise
Held within a love much greater
In a universe alive

[Verse 2]

We can measure ancient starlight
Trace the paths the planets take
Build our instruments to listen
For the worlds that may awake
But the wisdom of the heavens
Is not ours to own or claim
Knowledge opens wider doorways
Wonder teaches us our place

[Pre-Chorus]

I am not the final measure
Of what life or truth can be
There are heights beyond my knowing
There are depths still calling me

[Bridge]

Let our knowledge make us gentler
Let discovery make us wise
Let no power make us masters
Of the worlds beyond our eyes
We are students of creation
We are children learning still
Every step into the cosmos
Should be guided by goodwill

[Final Chorus]

In a universe alive
We are small, but we belong
Every world beneath the heavens
Moves within a greater song
We don't need to be the center
We can listen, we can rise
Held within a love much greater
In a universe alive
Not forgotten, not alone
This blue world is still our home
May the vastness make us humble
May the wonder make us whole

[Outro]

When the night unfolds above me
I will meet it open-eyed
Small enough to live in wonder
In a universe alive
We are not alone

TRACK 09

When We Wake Together

Collective awakening through freely chosen goodness

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

This communal song places awakening in ordinary choices rather than in a spectacle imposed from above. Healing one sorrow, helping one stranger stand and speaking truth with kindness allow a new morning to begin. The dawn becomes shared responsibility: it starts in me, in you and in us.

ITS PLACE IN THE ALBUM

Private awakening becomes communal: freely chosen goodness begins to shape a kinder human future.

LYRICS

[Verse 1]

I kept waiting for a morning
That would break across the sky
For a voice above the cities
No one living could deny
But the dawn begins in silence
When a single heart decides
To meet anger with compassion
And let courage answer night

[Pre-Chorus]

No one owns the light within us
No one rises all alone
Every step toward truth and beauty
Makes the whole world more our home

[Chorus]

When we wake together
New light rises from within
Not through power, fear, or conquest
But wherever love begins
When we wake together
Every stranger can be friend
Every truth we live in kindness
Lets a brighter age begin

[Verse 2]

We will never build tomorrow
By condemning where we've been
Or by forcing one conviction
On another heart within
Every soul must choose its pathway
Every mind must seek what's true
But the world begins awakening
When I serve the good in you

[Pre-Chorus]

Every life can be a doorway
Every choice can clear the way
We don't have to wait for heaven
To begin the work today

[Bridge — Call and Response]

[Female] If I choose to heal one sorrow

[Male] If I help one stranger stand

[Female] If I speak the truth with kindness

[Male] If I offer an open hand

[Both] Then the future is already

[Choir] Rising here, rising now

[Both] We don't wait to see the morning

[Choir] We become the morning now

[Final Chorus]

When we wake together

New light rises from within

Not through power, fear, or conquest

But wherever love begins

When we wake together

Every stranger can be friend

Every truth we live in kindness

Lets a brighter age begin

Not one perfect generation

Not a world without a scar

Just a people growing kinder

Learning who we truly are

[Outro]

[Female] It begins in me

[Male] It begins in you

[Both] The morning starts in us

TRACK 10

Love Moves Through Us

Love made active in courage, justice, and everyday kindness

THE STORY BEHIND THE SONG

The closing song gathers the album's themes into motion. Love becomes truth spoken without humiliation, resistance to injustice without hatred, and compassion translated into deeds. We may not change the whole world at once, but love can move through us toward the person and the need before us.

ITS PLACE IN THE ALBUM

The finale brings every earlier movement together as love in action—the visible fruit of the light first heard in silence.

LYRICS

[Verse 1]

I used to think that love was fragile
Just a feeling passing through
Something beautiful but helpless
When the world was hard and cruel
Then I saw it cross a distance
No argument could overcome
In a hand that stayed extended
When another heart would run

[Pre-Chorus]

Love is more than what we're feeling
It becomes the good we do
Every time we choose compassion
Something broken can be new

[Chorus]

Love moves through us
Every time we let it lead
Turning fear into compassion
Turning words into a deed
Love moves through us
Making strangers family
It may start with one small kindness
But it changes what we see

[Verse 2]

Love can tell the truth with courage
Without making someone small
It can stand against injustice
Without hatred in its call
It can enter wounded places
Not to hide the scars away
But to help us find the meaning
And begin again today

[Pre-Chorus]

We may never see the ending
Of the goodness we begin
But no loving act is wasted
When it changes us within

[Bridge]

One heart choosing understanding
One voice laying anger down
One more table growing wider
One lost neighbor finally found
This is how the world is changing
Not in one triumphant hour
Love becomes a living current
When we give it hands and power

[Final Chorus]

Love moves through us
Every time we let it lead
Turning fear into compassion
Turning words into a deed
Love moves through us
Making strangers family
It may start with one small kindness
But it changes what we see
Love moves through us
From the soul into the street
Every life can bear its witness
Every heart can help it speak
Love moves through us
And the world begins to move
What we choose to make of loving
Makes the promise living truth

[Closing Passage]

I don't have to change the whole world
I can love the one in view
And the love that moves between us
Makes the world begin anew

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