## Ten Thousand Strong (Single Version)

## **Iced Earth**

We're gathering, summoned by the elder

The consequence of what's imminent

A prophecy dark and foreboding

Forces them to face human intentThe chosen seek refuge in the mountains

Reluctantly the loved ones recognize

The sacrifice they must adhere to

The only hope for future sentient life

Like a martyr sacrificedAwait the days of clouding

Earth Mother's sharing in our pain

Erase the human memory

They know not of where they cameAnd though our hearts are broken

We have to wipe the tears away

In vain they did not suffer

Ten thousand strong will seize the dayWhat we possess, mankind is after

Direct descendants of the Architect

Children of God, seeds of creation

Stakes so high we must never relentWe lie in wait 'til the human minds are clouded

Initiation of the master plan

Assimilate, build new life among them

Centuries will pass, patience will win

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