Remember When the Music

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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 singRemember 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 giveRemember 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 gaveAll 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 againRemember 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 couldRemember 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 keepSo 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 been

It's something like a promise, it's something like begin

Don't you know we're needing something worth believing inSo I remember when the music

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