



VOICE OF HOPE

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I

In nights consumed by fear's embrace,
Shadows hide behind anger's face;
Truth is banished, conscience fades,
As silence deepens, hope decays.

II

Eyes are weeping within the night,
Arms grow weary in muted plight;
Dreams corroded by dread's command,
Voices stolen of joy and stand.

III

Yet every word with honor shines,
A gentle light through dark confines;
Language is more than tongue's refrain,
It sparks the soul, ignites hope's flame.

IV

Each voice of courage, firm and clear,
Breaks walls of lies the false revere;

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The faithful word shall never fall,

For truth is its eternal call.

V

Not swords that cut the binding chain,

But words of hope that still remain;

Not rage that shouts in hollow cry,

But love that speaks and dares defy.

VI

So lift your voice, let none be still,

With words of love, the land rebuild;

Language shall guide when paths are lost,

A bridge to dawn, whatever the cost.

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