# The decision tree (i'm alive) - 1/2

**Interprété par Ayreon.**

Album : Into The Electric Castle (1998)
Music : Arjen Anthony Lucassen
Lyrics : Arjen Anthony Lucassen except "Highlander" by Fish and narration by Peter Daltrey

Vocalists :

Narrator : Peter Daltrey
Barbarian : Jay van Feggelen
Highlander : Fish
Choir : All vocalists (Jay van Feggelen, Fish, Arjen Anthony Lucassen, Sharon den Adel, Anneke van Giersbergen, Edwin Balogh, Damian Wilson, Edward Reekers)

Narrator:
Ah, my friends! So light of foot. So swift. You have come this far. And now- here beneath the ancient, omniscient boughs of the Decision Tree one of you must depart this world of flesh. Only seven may continue. Only you can decide....

Barbarian:
Let it be clear I won't be the one to die here
Honour and glory are heaped upon my name
Let it be clear I'm not the one who cries here
What about the tall one, the one who's lost to shame

Highlander:
I've followed princes, I've raised their bloody banners
I've killed and wounded on the side of right
I've reaped the harvest, scattered fields with ashes
I've buried children, sowed the seeds of hate

All:
We're alive
We'll survive
We will strive for our freedom
We're alive
We'll survive
We'll arrive in our Eden

Highlander:
I've followed princes
I've followed kings
I will take their lead no more
I will not lie
In shallow graves
(I'm nobody's slave)

Barbarian:
Let it be known, by Thor the god of Lightning
I have been chosen to do battle at his side
Let it be clear I was born to go down fighting
What about the craven, the one who's lost his pride?

Highlander:
Don't speak to me, of honour, pride, and glory
I've tasted blood, seen your type before
You talk of battles but all you tell are stories
You'd see me buried in a shallow grave

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