THE TIM CALLANT ANTHOLOGY

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complete lyrics



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Take My Hand

(April 21, 1984) Track time: 3:28

I have tried to pull my weight I have cried trapped in my hate

And now I know I can't do it on my strength

Chorus A:

So take my hand, lead me home
Make me stand, don't let me roam
Take my hand lead me home.

I'm losin' my way in the dark
Lord, won't You take a holda my heart?
Won't You pick me up and make me stand
Help me to hold Your nail-scarred hand
Let me find You where You are
And then take me out of the dark

Chorus B:

Take my light, make it shine

Make me right, don't let me be blind Through my stand let others be shown Then take my hand and lead me home

[Chorus A]

Trouble begins in the heart
It gets its roots in, that's how it starts
But that's not the way it has to be
Jesus will give us victory
We don't have to have any scars
When trouble begins in the heart

[Intro, Chorus A]

The Drug Bust

(September 21, 1984) Track time: 3:50

Tonight my heart is full of woe Who wanna get high on something low You watch them waste away their lives And grown-ups try to legalize for all those wounded kids they don't know what it is by flowin' with the tide this tortured suicide

Chorus:

The drug bust! they say it's cool but it's such a bust
The drug bust! the kids at school they say it's a must
They say it's just a harmless little game you play
But this harmless little game is blowin' poor Johnny away.

There are times Johnny looks so fine But ah he's dying inside his mind The drugs do not attract him now Like many he does not know how for all his foolin' 'round can't get up when he's down but he is hooked, you see to leave this agony

[Chorus]

There are so many just like John Their entire will to live is now gone They once had oh so much to give There's so little positive

I wanna say - "God still loves you." I wanna say - "God still loves you." God still loves you. who have just lost all hope they exist for their dope now there's nothing they can do such as, "God still loves you."

The Victory is Yours

(November 15, 1984) Track time: 4:34

Get all excited Let your light burn bright and sure That all power is the Lord's Get all excited Oh my friend right to the end

The victory is yours

Don't be defeated Give it to Jesus Don't be defeated Satan's unseated He is weak and in defeat The victory is yours

Chorus:

The victory is yours! The victory is yours! The victory is yours! Judah's lamb He has won All glory to the Son And it is time we get in line The victory is yours!

Get all excited God has won the victory For all honour is the Lord's Get all excited Where you go oh this you know The victory is yours

Don't be defeated Lift up your Jesus Don't be defeated Losin's deleted He is strong, it won't be long The victory is yours!

[Chorus]

let your faith be ignited that the whole world might know

let your faith be ignited sing it wherever you go

stand up and praise His name you will not be the same rise up and win this race and he has lost his place at the hands of the Lord

go and take the land go and make a stand the roaring lion has been torn

to all go through the Door

let your faith be ignited that the whole world might live

let your faith be ignited there is salvation to give

stand up for Him who died you don't have to be shy stand up and share His grace when you're runnin' His race until we're with the Lord

Thinkin' Survival

(February 12, 1984) Track time: 3:51

Oh, thinkin' survival
Cause after a while
You cease from carin'
For all you intended,
And you don't even wonder why

has taken its toll you cease to know love passes you by look how it's ended

Chorus:

Oh, you've thought survival Just get your Bible Throw caution to the wind Stop thinkin' survival

Oh, it's almost over
You been dragged under
You cease from carin'
You wish it was over
And you don't even wonder why

[Chorus]

long enough find God's love fall into Him get into your Bible

and you don't even care without a prayer life's passed you by over your shoulder

If You'd Read Your Bible

(July 10, 1984) Track time: 4:00

There's hundreds of pages of your Bible that you've never seen When someone comes to your house, you bring it back out You put your Bible on the table to hide your dirty magazines

Chorus:

If you'd read your Bible believed its words
If you'd read your Bible maybe you would learn

How to conquer sin with His might

If you'd read your Bible believed its words
If you'd read your Bible maybe you would learn
Cod is a light.

God is a light God is a light!

There's thousands of people of our cities that have never heard We wanna be one of the guys, so we compromise We are so righteous in our churches, but can't give time for His Word

[Chorus: "If we'd read our Bibles...."]

Holiness or Hell

(March 17, 1984) Track time: 2:50

Seems people these days They wanna go their own way They leave their Bibles at home But we all know, it's written so: they're foolin' around do it all on their own think bein' Sunday Christians is swell it's holiness or hell.

Chorus:

It's written in the Bible
It's written in the Bible
So we can choose what we want to
But we should beware
Cause we all know, it's written so:

Seems churches these days Seems whatever that they say They leave their Bibles at home But we should know, it's written so:

[Chorus]

it's holiness or hell everything we need to know it tells we can live as we please we're not gonna do too well it's holiness or hell.

they're socially bound it's only empty sound think bein' Sunday Christians is swell it's holiness or hell.

No Compromise

(July 10, 1984) Track time: 3:26

Well, I seen the life
And it's compromise
And I seen how much
Hopin' money buys
But I want your life
And I want your eyes

Chorus:

Cause it's time you realize
It's all the way or not at all
Come to Me and your flesh must die

You aren't cold or hot So I'll spew you out You're stale and you rot To hold the world somehow Oh, I count your life But still you just fight

[Chorus]

that you've been livin'

that you've been givin'

more than your money to end their running

I'm a God of no compromise sit on a fence and you will fall I'm a God of no compromise

you're in the middle

you're only willing

above the sparrow the way's too narrow

I'm a Killer

(July 21, 1984) Track time: 3:43

Well some people say when they came to Christ That's not like me, I took one look in His eyes

Cause I never really killed anyone Never guilty of any murder until the Son they didn't kill anymore I found what His love is for

until I found my God's will of God, He taught me to kill

Chorus:

Through the power of Christ I'm a killer
I kill all the guilt and the sin and the strife and all within
I kill all my flesh and my will and my life of carnal man
Through the power of Christ I'm a killer

It's written in the Bible that we must Gotta put away our idols, our sin and our lust

Well, preachers these days are talkin' of love that we live in sin we won't make heaven above we are

mortify our carnal man cause through Christ's power we can

that we are just sanctified we are doomed till our flesh dies

[Chorus]

Well, people like to say they're Christians now almost like a passing fad

And so many singers dance and scream and take their bows but inside, many are sad

So many are talkin' about the Lord But there's so many dying while they just hoard and they sing like God's own birds "kill your flesh" - those were His words

When We Gonna Do What's Right

(August 7, 1984) Track time: 4:05

Everybody's got the Holy Ghost but nobody wants the fire And everybody's speakin' in tongues but who's conquerin' the liar?

Well it's fine and dandy to have healin' left and right
And it's nicely candied always singin' "I saw the light"
But tell me, when we gonna get into the fight?
Tell me - when we gonna do what's right?

Chorus:

When we gonna do what's right and stop foolin' around When we gonna do what's right and start helpin' the down But how we gonna help anyone if we are not right ourselves And how we gonna present the Son if we are livin' like hell? Well now, when we gonna take up the light? Tell me, when we gonna do what's right?

Well, everybody's got the Holy Ghost
And everybody's speakin' in tongues
But is the whole story
Or does fleshly glory
Why is it, everywhere preachers shut their lips tight
Tell me, when we gonna do what's right?

but where are the fruits thereof?
and talkin' a lot about love
really bein' seen and told
prevent us from bein' bold

[Chorus]

Well, everybody's got the Holy Ghost
And everybody's speakin' in tongues
We say things so nicely
"Wisdom," we call it piously
And then we don't care people stumble without sight
Tell me, when we gonna do what's right?

but sin has become routine
but can we really say we're clean?
so our churches grow in size
but God calls it compromise

Leavin' the World Behind

(July 11, 1984) Track time: 3:30

I want you leavin' the world behind Cause I caught you tryin' to walk the line Cause if you're gonna be part of my fold You're gonna be hot - not warm, not cold Cause I want your soul and I want your mind leavin' the world behind

Chorus:

Leavin' the world behind leavin' the world behind ressin' on, forgettin' the past takin' now and makin' it last

I want you I want your soul I want your mind

I want you leavin' the world behind

I want you leavin' the world behind Cause I bought you and really you are mine I don't want you to live part of two lives Cause I want you all no compromise And I want you hot cause warm is not fine I want you leavin' the world behind

Batter My Heart

(June 11, 1984; adapted from John Donne)

Track time: 2:06

Batter my heart, sweet Trinity

For so far, You've but shone on me

That I may rise and stand, throw me down

Force Your hand make me new all round

For like a town in its captured hour I now am under another pow'r And though I struggle to let You in

I am blinded by my sin

Theology, I thought, was Your representative

But it has proved untrue and not allowed me to live
Yet dearly I love You and would be loved the same
But I am married to one who defies Your name

Take me to You imprison me
Except You enthrall me I'll never be free
Nor ever chaste except You ravish me.

Christ Will Get the Glory

(July 11, 1984) Track time: 3:49

Well Jesus has been tellin' me to walk by faith, I'm walkin' And Jesus has been tellin' me to share His grace, I'm talkin' I'm talkin' - I'm talkin' o' Jesus

Chorus:

Well, one of these days and we'll be there
We'll see His face, the love we'll share
Share all the love we should have here
Knowin' that love casts out all fear
Christ will get the glory and we will hear the stories
Of His blessed saints of all the martyrs' pain
Christ will get the glory

Well Jesus has been tellin' me to live holy, I'm livin' And Jesus wants me just to give to Him only, I'm givin' I'm givin' - I'm givin' to Jesus

[Chorus]

Well, I've been contemplating His powerful love, I'm thinkin' And Jesus wants me drinkin' of His precious blood, I'm drinkin' I'm drinkin' - I'm drinkin' o' Jesus

Have You Ever Heard

(June 5, 1984) Track time: 4:52

Restless minds are churning Soon there'll be a burning Where morning's gone forever They thought they were clever

Have you ever
Have you ever
If you haven't
Read the Bible ev'ry letter
Don't you miss a word

Troubled hearts are turning Now the saints will journey Where morning breaks forever

You'll miss His promises to you.

Where we meet the Master

Have you ever Have you ever If you haven't

Read the Bible ev'ry letter

Don't you miss a word

You'll miss His promises to you

peace and innocence long gone many lost in hell with Babylon and darkness tears the soul but how were they to know?

heard a warning? stopped ignoring? well, you better ev'ry letter cause if you do

from the wicked things they done to the land of ever-shining Son and darkness turns to dawn and heaven sings one song

heard the promise
ever done this?
try do better
ev'ry letter
cause if you do
you'll miss His promises to you.

Are You Ready?

(July 25, 1984) Track time: 3:49

Jesus is coming soon, are you ready? are you ready? Is your heart in tune, is it ready? are you ready?

Chorus:

Are you ready to meet the Lord, are you ready to see His face? Are you listenin' to His words, are you ready for that great day? Are you ready? well tell me, are you ready? are you ready?

You won't live forever, are you ready? are you ready? Have you left the devil, are you ready? are you ready?

Well if you've been walkin' with the Lord there's nothin' scary to say But if you've been walkin' away from Him you better fear for that day

[Chorus]

Well, should the trumpet blow, are you ready? are you ready?
And are you set to go, are you ready? are you ready?
Well if you've been holdin' to the Bible well, then there's nothin' to fear

get ready while you're still here

But if you've been tryin' out compromise

Eat of My Flesh

(August 13, 1984; verse 2b and chorus March 3, 1990) Track time: 2:33

Eat of My flesh and drink of My blood And you will never be hungry Eat of My flesh and drink of My blood And the truth shall set you free

So love the Lord with all of your heart And you will never be hungry Live in His Word and walk in His love And the truth shall set you free

Chorus:

I AM that bread of life
I AM that living water
I AM the Lamb of God
I AM the way to the Father
I AM the way.

So trust the Lord with all of your heart And you will walk in the victory Live in His life and do not depart And the truth shall set you free

I am the vine and you are of Me
If you are constantly striving
Seek and you'll find and ask and receive
And the truth shall set you free

[Chorus]

Eat of my flesh and drink of My blood....

You Satisfied Me

(November 30, 1984) Track time: 2:53

I lived my life
And it was a lie
And my restless mind took me far too far
Until Your love it found and set me free
Lord, You satisfied me

lookin' for something to fill the void puttin' up hollow fronts for a love destroyed away in the land of broken hearts

Chorus:

You satisfied me gave me the love I needed desperately
You satisfied me took away my sin for eternity
Cause I was driftin' in an endless vacuum
I saw You there and I said "There's no room"
But a change of heart was quick to be
When Lord You satisfied me.

I lived my life
And You made it right
And You were so kind to take up my load
And by Your love I found Your liberty
Lord, You satisfied me

[Chorus]

wishin' I could only see the way replacin' my emptiness with a love that's stayed right offa my shoulders onto Yours

It's Your Choice

(August 14, 1984) Track time: 5:01

You wanna be cool You bend all the rules You wanna have fun You live it up some

but you're gonna burn you think it won't hurt but you're gonna cry but you're gonna die

Chorus:

Fire in the blackness Pain in the darkness Why do you wait Cause He gave the key Just take His gift Look where you are Worthless toys They won't go far It's your choice

forever burning there's no returning till it's too late to eternity and enter in and look what you got

You laugh and be coy Think you're a playboy You eat up the fun And you try to run

but you might get caught

[Chorus]

You say you love life You carry a knife Don't wanna lose friends You are your own man

but inside you are blue but Satan plays with you he eats up your soul but where is your goal?

Dissatisfaction But you won't take action It's up to you Will you take the key Or shun His gift, Look where you been It's your choice Cause you have seen

but you live in death but peace you confess but you're all alone but you're just a clone

It's your choice

with separation no transformation what will you do to eternity pay for your sin and look where you'll go

Fire in the blackness Forever burning Pain in the darkness.... just what's down the road

Solid Gold

(July 21-22, 1984) Track time: 4:00

You chose to live your life But now you're gettin' tired

You're surrounded

But your life's in such a mess

You chose the bright

But it's just colourful emptiness

It looked so good back then But now you've found that sin You've had your thrills

You've found it empty and cold

Now I think it's

Can give you a life of solid gold

Chorus:

Solid gold

You've found what it's like And you're gettin' tired So you have decided You're gonna give up the old You're gonna trade it in

Does the world look so good, Men've grabbed for all they could;

Sin will never

Despite what some people say

You can always

But don't you doubt that there's a price to pay

You think that God is just Just some dull altar cross But He died to

To the young and to the old

Yeah I think it's

Can give you a life of solid gold

[Chorus]

reachin' for the cookie jar and you wonder where you are

by golden tinsel

lights of the sinful

like a golden ornament turns us into hollow men and you've had your fun

time you know the Son

walkin' the night of goin' alone to stop bein' idle yeah, give up the old for His life of solid gold

does the glitter get to you? is one happy, tell me who

leave you satisfied

take your dazzling lights

some building you saw today too dull for the young, you say

give eternal life

time you know that Christ

Where Did It All Begin?

(October 9, 1984) Track time: 3:14

Chorus:

Mankind came from monkeys!

Didn't you know?man has no soulJoin the revolutionbelieve in evolutionDidn't you knowman has no soul

He's an animal!

Oh they tell me a gas explosion foreran the human race

But they won't tell me where all this here gas came from in the first place

Where did it all begin they don't explain too well

Well it began with sin this mess started when man rebelled

[Chorus]

Oh they tell me the Bible's just a great big myth and a lie But they can't tell me where it all began and why I am alive

Where did it all begin they don't explain at all Well it began with sin it began with old Adam's fall

[Chorus]

Oh I'll tell them the Bible's the only book I'll ever trust
Yes I'll tell them that evolution's just a child of their lust

Where did it all begin the Bible shows us well Yes it began with sin and it can only end with hell

Well I know the whole world is goin' ape It's full of hatred, murder and rape Maybe instead of fingers we should have claws But it's all because We've broken God's laws.

Lookin' Away

(November 5, 1984; ending added July 8, 1992)

Track time: 5:11

Avoidin' the issues
Saying it's just tissue
This don't change reality
Say what we will say what we like
And my friend, there's eternity
And to me it's a mystery

turnin' our blind eyes away just to do with what we may this don't change what is to be it's still murder to kill to pay for what we do and say how you can turn and look away

Chorus:

Just another baby

Just another human life to throw away

Just another baby

Just where is all this leading to anyway?

We're runnin' outta time Stop! stop the knife!

Stop! genocide!

See the children outside at play

How can you turn and look away?

Identify the group Sayin' it's just tissue This is cold hard genocide

Say what we will say what we like

And my friends there's eternity

And we darken history

[Chorus]

Lookin' away Lookin' away

Lookin' away lookin' away

Lookin' away!

Then look away Ask yourself why

See the children outside at play How can you turn and look away?

just another body

just another body

where do we draw the line?

it is all unborn children just is coldhearted killin' only there's no place to hide it's still murder to kill to pay for what we do and say when we turn and look away

away from the right and wrong just killin' the weak and young lookin' away lookin' away

look inside ask yourself away

Where Would I Be Without You?

(May 27, 1984) Track time: 4:50

Chorus:

Where would I be without love And where would I be without You And just what would I be thinkin' of If I had nothin' to do Where would I be without You?

I'd be in trouble, I know Why, why, why

To go it alone?

Why, why, why And sunk like a stone?

Why, why, why?

Then out of the dark somewhere

You, You, You

And gave me the light

You, You, You

And made me all right

You, You, You

[Chorus]

No longer in the corner

Cause You, You, You

And made me anew You, You, You

And showed me the truth

You, You, You!

[Chorus]

Jesus took me from the wrong

And you, you, you The same as I am And you, you, you

By the blood of the Lamb

You, you, you!

[Chorus]

with no place to go

have I tried

have I cried

You came and You cared

brought me through

made me new

no longer a mourner

took my soul

took control

He gave me a song

can be His

just can't miss