

The Further Shores of Knowing

MUSIC SELECTIONS

1. Narrator Intro & Open
2. "Jack's Star Path"
3. "Carried Away"
4. "Big Love"

1. Narrator Intro & Open

The music begins with an actual S-O-S, signaling distress.
There is space in the song for movement/staging.
Chorus sings...

DARK THE POLESTAR!
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Narrator Verses

1st Set

BEFORE THE GOLDEN AGE HAD WANED
SCHOLARS IN THEIR ROBES EXPLAINED
HOW IGNORANCE HAD KEPT US CHAINED
LIKE PRISONERS ENSHADOWED

BUT WHEN THE HORDES HAD OVERRUN
THE HIGHER GROUND THAT REASON WON
THE AGE OF DARKNESS HAD BEGUN
AND TRUTH NO LONGER HALLOWED

2nd Set

CODIFIED IN SIGNS AND WORDS
GREAT WISDOM WAS NOW TRANSFERRED
SO WONDERFUL WHEN PLATO HEARD
HE DANCED WHEN HE DISCERNED IT

PYTHAGORAS — O YES, HE KNEW

HYPATHIA AND PLOTINUS, TOO
AS SECRETLY THE ADEPTS GREW
WHOSE TASK IT WAS TO LEARN IT

3rd Set, Part I

(First few bars form a canon.)

JACK BIGABEE WAS ONE SUCH MAN
ENTRUSTED WITH THE GREATER PLAN
HE KNEW HOW TIME AND SPACE BEGAN
AND ALL THAT WHICH CONTAINS IT

3rd Set, Part II

LIKE THOSE BEFORE HIM, HE LAID LOW
HIDDEN IN THE STATUS QUO
YET MINDFUL OF THE GREATER FLOW
AND HIS ROLE TO MAINTAIN IT

4th Set, Part I

HIS FATHER, RESCUED IN A STORM
THE MOTHER, A NEREIDA BORN
DID SO DELIGHTFULLY ADORN
HER SON WITH SPECIAL POWER

4th Set, Part II

ALAS THE FATHER TOO SOON DIED
A WIDOW NOW, AND EARTHY TIED
SHE DID HER BEST TO RAISE HER PRIDE
BUT TIME DID NOT ALLOW HER

5th Set, Part I

BACK TO THE SEA; INTERRED THEREIN
HER CONFIDANT AND CHAMPION THE WHALE...
A WHALE? (Chorus)
A WHALE
A WHALE? (Chorus)
A WHALE HAD SWORN TO WATCH HER KIN
THUS HE AND JACK BEFRIENDED

5th Set, Part II

NOT LONG WAS JACK AN ORPHANED SOUL
A MAN CAME FORTH WHO SAW JACK'S ROLE
THAT HE WOULD BE THE VEHICLE
UPON WHICH TRUTH DEPENDED

6th Set

THAT IF THE POLESTAR, COLD AND DARK
WITHHELD ITS BRIGHT CELESTIAL SPARK
THEN JACK MUST RISE TO MAKE HIS MARK
OR ALL OUR DAYS ARE NUMBERED

7th Set {Ensemble}

DARK THE POLESTAR
DARK THE POLESTAR (continues beneath following)
THUS JACK KNEW
THIS GRAVE SIGN
SPELLED THE HEIGHT
OUR DECLINE
ALL MANKIND
ALL MANKIND
FOR ALL MANKIND HAD BLUNDERED

8TH Set

AND SO JACK — WITH HIS WHALE, DESPITE
THE HEAVY COAT OF LAZINESS THAT DIMMED ITS MIGHT
MUST SET A DEATH-DEFYING COURSE TO REIGNITE
THE TRUTH OUR TIME NEEDS SHOWING

9TH Set

BUT FIRST A CROSSING MUST BE MADE
ONE'S CONSCIENCE CLEARED INTENTIONS WEIGHED
FOR NO ONE REACHES UNASSAYED

All ~

THE FURTHER SHORES OF KNOWING
THE FURTHER SHORES OF KNOWING...KNOWING....KNOWING

2. Jack's Star Path

“Sag.” refers to Sagittarius, the constellation.

TWO DEGREES SAG. FROM WHERE WE START
THE EVENING SKY SHALL BE OUR CHART
MARKING A LINE FROM THE ARCHER'S QUIVER
OF WHICH WE'LL ONLY SEE A SLIVER

DRIFTING UNDER THE ARCHER'S ARM
THE SERPENT'S COIL WILL TWIST AND CHARM
POINTING NEAR THE GOLDEN LYRE
AWAKENING A HEART'S DESIRE

BETWEEN DENEK AND ALTAIR
THE EAGLE'S HOME; WE'RE HALFWAY THERE
THEN CEPHEUS UPON HIS THRONE
HOSTS THE LARGEST BLACK HOLE KNOWN

SEVEN STARS GUARD HIS DOMAIN
FIERCE PROTECTORS OF HIS REIGN
IF WE CAN MANAGE TO SWING BY
THE SWAN WILL FLAP HER WINGS AND SIGH

THEN JUST OUTSIDE THE DRAGON'S LAIR
WE'LL COME UPON THE LITTLE BEAR
THAT'S WHERE POLARIS HIDES ITS LIGHT
AND OUR TASK NOW TO RE-IGNITE

6. Carried Away

Celia ~

THE DAY HE APPEARED WITH THE SUN IN HIS HAIR
FLOATING ON THE OCEAN LIKE HE WAS ON AIR
HIDING GREAT SECRETS HE DARE NOT BETRAY
I WAS CARRIED AWAY, CARRIED AWAY
HOW LOVELY TO WATCH HIM
AND TO KNOW HE APPROVES
THE JOY THAT I FEEL
AT THE WAY THAT HE MOVES
I AM CARRIED AWAY, CARRIED AWAY

Sophie ~

BEFORE HE APPEARED THE WORLD WAS SO BLEAK

THE FALSENESS I HEARD WHEN I HEARD PEOPLE SPEAK
BUT NOW THROUGH HIS LIGHT
I CAN SEE THROUGH THE VEILS
AND ALL THAT I TOOK TO BE REAL SIMPLY PALES
I DON'T KNOW WHAT WILL BE
BUT I KNOW WHO I AM
AND FOR THAT I GIVE THANKS AND WHISPER AMEN

Celia & Sophie ~

FOR KNOWING THE MAN WHO'S SHOWN ME THE WAY
I AM CARRIED AWAY... CARRIED AWAY

4. Big Love {Ensemble}

Whale ~
BIG LOVE
THERE'S NOTHING SWEETER THAN BIG LOVE
HITS YOU SO HARD IT FEELS LIKE GOD
TOOK OFF THE GLOVE
OR THE MOON GAVE YOU A SHOVE
THAT'S BIG LOVE

Captain ~
THERE'S NO BRUSH BIG ENOUGH
TO PAINT BIG LOVE
THE BIGGEST WORDS SOUND QUIANT
AGAINST BIG LOVE
THE STRONGEST MAN CAN'T SHOW RESTRAINT
THAT'S BIG LOVE

Sophie ~
BIG LOVE?
IT SOUNDS TO ME LIKE ONE BIG LIE
WHAT EVERY GIRL HEARS FROM A GUY
WHO'S ON THE MAKE
WHO'LL SAY ANYTHING TO FAKE, BIG LOVE
THERE'S SO FEW WINNERS IN THE GAME OF LOVE
AND TOO MUCH HEART BREAK IN THE NAME OF LOVE
AND NO ONE BUT ONE-SELF TO BLAME
THAT'S BIG LOVE

Captain ~

WHY WOULD YOU DOUBT THE WAY I FEEL?
BIG LOVE IS TOO BIG TO CONCEAL!

Gambler ~
BIG LOVE
YOU THINK YOU'RE EXPERTS ON BIG LOVE?
I'VE SEEN ENOUGH TO KNOW IT'S NOT FOR WHALES OR HACKS
IT'S ACES OVER JACKS
THAT'S BIG LOVE
THERE'S NO HAND BIG ENOUGH TO BEAT BIG LOVE
THE SHREWDEST CHEATER CAN'T DEFEAT BIG LOVE
TO THINK YOU'LL WIN IS JUST CONCEIT
THAT'S BIG LOVE

Sophie ~
WHAT MAKES YOU THINK I'M SUCH A FOOL?
BIG LOVE IS NOTHING IF NOT CRUEL
FOR WHEN IT BREAKS
THE PAIN'S TOO MUCH TO TAKE

Whale ~
PLEASE DON'T CRY
PLEASE DON'T CRY...
BIG LOVE
SO YOU'RE AFRAID IT WON'T ENDURE?

Gambler ~
BUT CAN'T YOU SEE THAT'S JUST WHAT GOD MADE BIG LOVE FOR
TO MAKE OUR SPIRITS SOAR
THAT'S BIG LOVE

Whale ~
THERE'S NO DENYING THAT BIG LOVE IS REAL

Gambler ~
AND IF YOU TRUST IT YOU MAY START TO FEEL

Captain ~
THAT ALL YOUR HURT CAN START TO HEAL

All ~ THAT'S BIG LOOOOOOVE!