

Raphael

I'll never know all you've been through
But I can somewhat imagine
All the times you had to prove yourself
Through a lonely I can only fathom
Then the notice came your way one day
And though the caveat spun around to bite you
It all has brought you where you are today

Ooh, Raphael
Swing on the vine that's offered to you
Drink deep the red wine so becoming to you
Ignore the glowing eyes in the dark
Ooh, Raphael

I read the news and I trembled for you
Counting heavy on your gifts and your angel
The peripherals basking in your destiny
Leeching anything from you they could inveigle
I watched you fall, and I watched you rise
And rejoiced in your triumph and heartbeat
Bless the star that brought you where you are today

Weigh the impulses, Raphael
Cut and run if you must, I'm forever your friend
Fending off the hyenas who would have you depend
on them for your survival
Run for your life, Raphael

In your face lives a miracle, Raphael
Hold the lover and child who made you a man
And the dream you preserved with your own two hands
Now you've learned what does and doesn't matter

Ooh, Raphael
Swing on the vine that's offered to you
Drink deep the red wine, the life's blood that becomes you
Happy ever after
Ooh, Raphael