

Danny Boy (2024 Reprise)

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Way on high in the emerald glen,
Lies a man who was more than just legend (alt: just a friend)
Fair in hand, whose honor knew no end
In silent ground, he longs to walk these hills again (alt: In a silent grave,)

Oh Danny Boy, the pipes... the pipes... may they call you back to life
To show the way, from tyranny and strife
From the Cliffs of Moher, to the streets of old Dubh Linn
Danny Boy, the pipes are calling once again

Generations came, and generations passed
The tables turned, from the plate and empty glass (alt: from the bottle to the glass)
In foreign fields, in the times when we were trapped
Raise the gates, for they're coming home at last (alt: I feared not, for he vowed to watch my back)

Through troubled years, so many stones were thrown
Blood was shed, the petals falling from her rose
She waited so long--- in the stillness of the gloam
For Danny Boy, to find his way back home

Oh Danny Boy, the pipes... the pipes... may they call you back to life
To show the way, from tyranny and strife
From Carrickfergus, to the black rocks of Dùn Èidann
Danny Boy, the pipes are calling you again