WE ARE THE WORLD

WORDS AND MUSIC BY MICHAEL JACKSON & LIONEL RICHE

(KEY: E-F)  (21 featured vocalists) (M/male  F/Female)

LEAD VOICE TYPES                      ENSEMBLE

Lionel /Papi                          THERE COMES A TIME
Richie                                 WHEN WE NEED A CERTAIN CALL

Stevie Wonder                        WHEN THE WORLD MUST
Lionel Richie / Papi                  COME TOGETHER AS ONE, (tenor/bari)

Stevie Wonder                        THERE ARE PEOPLE DYING(Baritone/Tenor)

Paul Simon                           OH WHEN IT'S TIME
                                  TO LEND A HAND TO LIFE (2nd tenor) (soft)

Paul Simon                           THE GREATEST GIFT OF ALL (2nd tenor/false) (soft)

Kenny Rogers                          WE CAN'T GO ON
                                  PRETENDING DAY BY DAY (Baritone/Tenor)

James Ingram                         THAT SOMEONE, SOMEWHERE
                                  WILL SOON MAKE A CHANGE (Baritone)

Tina Turner                           WE ARE ALL A PART OF
                                  GOD'S GREAT BIG FAMILY...(Alto)

Billy Joel                            AND THE TRUTH,
                                  YOU KNOW LOVE IS ALL WE NEED (Alto/Baritone)

CHORUS –

MJ soft                                 WE ARE THE WORLD,
                                  WE ARE THE CHILDREN
                                  WE ARE THE ONES TO MAKE
                                  A BRIGHTER DAY
                                  SO LET'S START GIVING

F/Diania Ross                          THERE'S A CHOICE WE'RE MAKING,
                                  WE'RE SAVIN' OUR OWN LIVES

MJ+Diania Ross                         IT'S TRUE WE MAKE A BETTER DAY,
                                  JUST YOU AND ME.
VERSE #2

F/D. Warrick                  WELL, SEND 'EM YOUR HEARTS
            SO THEY KNOW THAT SOMEONE CARES

B/D+Willie Nelson            AND THEIR LIVES WILL BE STRONGER AND FREE

M/Willie Nelson              AS GOD HAS SHOWN US BY TURNING STONES TO BREAD

2nd tenor Al jaroe          AND SO WE ALL MUST LEND A HELPING HAND.

CHORUS -

Bruce Spreinstein           WE ARE THE WORLD,
                                WE ARE THE CHILDREN

Kenny Loggins               WE ARE THE ONES TO MAKE
                                A BRIGHTER DAY
                                SO LET'S START GIVING

Steve Perry/1st tenor       THERE'S A CHOICE WE'RE MAKING,
                                WE'RE SAVIN' OUR OWN LIVES

Darly Oaks                  IT'S TRUE WE MAKE A BETTER DAY,
                                JUST YOU AND ME.

VERSE #3

MJ/2nd tenor                 WHEN YOU'RE DOWN AND OUT
                                AND THERE SEEMS NO HOPE AT ALL

Huey Lewis/Baritone/Tenor    IF WE JUST BELIEVE
                                THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN FALL

Cindy Loper                 WELL, WELL, WELL, LET US REALIZE,
                                OH, THAT A CHANGE CAN ONLY COME

Huey Lewis/F                 WHEN WE STAND TOGETHER AS ONE

F/Cindy Loper               YEAH, YEAH, YEAH, YEAH.
CHORUS - BACKGROUND SINGERS

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All girls
THERE'S A CHOICE WE'RE MAKING,  (Chorus singing AAhh’s)
WE'RE SAVIN' OUR OWN LIVES
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(All)
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M/Bob Dylan
THERE'S A CHOICE WE'RE MAKING,
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All singers/Answer
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Ray Charles
Answers
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Ray Charles
Sings
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Stevie Wonder
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Bruce answers
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Stevie sings
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Bruce Sings
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