

HEROES OF HOPE AND CHANGE

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I'm a believer of freedom for all
All for one, one for all
My heroes fight for liberation
A word coined from colonial freedom

I admire their loyalties beyond all
Like Brave hearts shouted freedom
From Scottish lands
Can reach the motherland

Great heroes of history and now
Heroes for hope and change
Triggering minds
Glimpses of a reawakening world

Standing together opposing oppressors
Putting human rights on top of the pile
Campaigning against wrongs, endlessly radical
Heroes beyond doubt
Beyond necessity
Beyond their own prosperity
Don't seek fame, nor thanks
Believe we're all equal and deserve a fair shake
Even across the globe
Heroes advocate for the voiceless
Call out Puppet governments, overlords'
unfair policies and conditional aid
Multinationals, monopolies

land grabbing, water grabbing, export cash crops

On African land

Heroes fight for love not gold

Strive for change in Africa

In mines

In palm oil fields

Sugar cane and cotton fields

Heroes breaking shackles, cuffs and chains