

# Rise Oh People, Rise This Day

*Song by Frederick N. West, based on a Scottish weaving song*

1.

Not long ago in our very own land,  
lived the great Martin Luther King,  
his teachings of peace spread far and wide,  
Let freedom ring.

## **Chorus**

Rise oh people, rise this day, lift your voice and sing,  
rise oh people, rise and say, let freedom ring.

2.

The science march in the here and now,  
a masterpiece of action and form,  
hundreds of thousands of voices raised,  
just the beginning of the storm.

## **Chorus**

Rise oh people, rise this day, lift your voice and sing,  
rise oh people, rise and say, let freedom ring.

3.

Seattle singers have a legacy,  
bridges of friendship and song.  
We care about what the future will be,  
a peaceful planet, our home.

## **Chorus**

Rise oh people, rise this day, lift your voice and sing,  
rise oh people, rise and say, let freedom ring.  
Let freedom ring  
Let freedom ring!

# Eyes on the Prize

*Traditional Civil Rights Marching Song, new lyrics by Frederick N. West*

1.

Keep on marchin'; keep the pace;  
we are gonna elevate the human race.  
Keep your eyes on the prize; hold on.

## **Chorus**

[Bass] Hold on; [Answer] Hold on.  
[Bass] Hold on; [Answer] Hold on.  
Keep your eyes on the prize; hold on.

2.

Keep on marchin'; don't look back,  
we are movin' on the freedom track.  
Keep your eyes on the prize; hold on.

## **Chorus**

3.

If you want to find freedom, I'll tell you how;  
keep your hand on the freedom plough.  
Keep your eyes on the prize; hold on.

## **Chorus**

### **Lyrics for the March for Science, 22 April 2017**

1.

Discovering scientific truth,  
march for freedom and march for youth.  
Denying climate change is just uncouth; hold on.

2.

Galileo trained his telescope;  
he saw the future and he saw the hope.  
Planets spinning around the sun; hold on.

## **Chorus**

3.

Way back when the powers that be;  
on thought they had a monopoly.  
[Spoken: They said] The Earth is flat and that is that; hold on.

4.

Joshua fought the battle; the sun stood still;  
now we've got the power and we've got the will.  
More pollution won't pay the bill; hold on.

## **Chorus**

5.

Bury your head in the sand if you like,  
but we're getting ready for a general strike.  
Keep your eyes on the prize; hold on.

## **Chorus**

6.

Life is short; what's it all about?  
Earth is getting hotter, there is no doubt.  
If ya' can't face the facts we'll vote you out; hold on!

## **Chorus**