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Subject: OT:Coldplay versus Satriani  
Posted by [chuck duffy](#) on Wed, 10 Dec 2008 02:58:48 GMT  
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Subject: Re: OT:Coldplay versus Satriani  
Posted by [TC](#) on Wed, 10 Dec 2008 03:12:02 GMT  
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Interesting, I thought of that earlier today. Not that I've heard the new wave song, but it crossed my mind as a "what if" scenario.

In any event, I can't believe that it would have been intentional on Coldplay's part.

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Posted by [Neil](#) on Wed, 10 Dec 2008 07:33:50 GMT  
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Posted by [Erling](#) on Wed, 10 Dec 2008 08:50:24 GMT  
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Posted by [Erling](#) on Wed, 10 Dec 2008 10:12:07 GMT  
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Posted by [Neil](#) on Thu, 11 Dec 2008 02:54:22 GMT  
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Posted by [chuck duffy](#) on Thu, 11 Dec 2008 15:07:48 GMT  
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Posted by [chuck duffy](#) on Fri, 12 Dec 2008 16:22:24 GMT  
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Even the lyrics make me doubletake, but I think that's cause there are a lot of cliches. Take for example:

Those who are dead, are not dead, they are living in my head (- or something close to that...). Where \*haven't\* I heard something like that before :-)

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