A Song of the Fourth Crusade

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Am G Am Em

(Oh) The Counts of France and Flanders have taken up the cross

Am Em Bm Am

To free Jerusalem they go

Am G Am Em

And I bravely follow my sins to absolve

Am C G Em Am

I’m riding in the service of the Marshal of Champagne

The Venetian Doge agrees to lend us aid

For our cause, and our gold

But our allies they keep not the faith

And new gold for our passage we must raise

Prince Alexius of the Greeks will give both men and gold

If we but return him to his throne

Before the Frankish Host and Venetian Fleet

Constantinople’s walls, they do fall

(But) The new Greek King keeps not his word

Again Constantinople we do siege

The Greek Emperor is taken in flight

Now a count of Flanders is Emperor in New Rome

So now we stay in the city of New Rome

To hold these lands for our King

And fair Jerusalem we will not see

For now we guard the lands of our new home