

## WTC 9/11 spoken text

### 1. 9/11

NORAD:

They came from Boston -  
Goin' to L A -  
and their headed South -  
They're goin' the wrong  
They're goin' the wrong way -  
Boston -  
L A -  
headed South -  
goin' the wrong  
goin' the wrong way -  
no contact -  
no contact with the pilot -  
no contact with the pilot whatsoever --  
No  
contact  
with the pilot  
whatsoever

FDNY:

go ahead  
Plane just crashed -  
Plane just crashed into the world trade -  
every available  
every available ambulance -  
the plane was aiming  
the plane was aiming towards the building -  
there's been a major  
there's been a major collapse --  
May-day! May-day! Liberty and West I'm trapped  
I'm trapped in the rubble -  
the second plane  
the second plane  
a second plane! -  
May-day! May-day May-day!

I can't breathe  
I can't breathe much longer  
Other tower just collapsed

## 2. 2010

Neighborhood residents, Fire Dept. Officer, 1st Ambulance driver to arrive at  
World Trade Center:

I was sitting in class-  
four blocks  
four blocks north of ground zero -  
I was taking my kids to school -  
the first plane -  
went straight  
went straight over our heads -  
went straight over our heads and into the building -  
My eyes just kind of shot up  
flames  
one of the towers  
one of the towers just in flames  
but we we all thought  
but we all thought it was an accident  
accident  
I knew it it wasn't an accident  
I knew it it wasn't an accident right away  
Every one was running  
running  
Every one was running and screaming  
Then -  
Then  
The second plane hit -  
The second plane hit  
It was not an accident  
It was not  
It was not an accident  
People -  
People

jumping from the building -  
jumping from the building  
people  
The first ambulance  
the first ambulance to get there  
It was chaos  
chaos  
nobody knew  
nobody knew what to do  
nobody  
The ground -  
The ground started shaking -  
The ground started shaking  
You could feel it  
The building came down  
came down  
Run  
Run for your lives  
Suddenly  
Suddenly it was black outside -  
Suddenly it was black outside  
You could not see in front of you  
You could not  
Debris engulfed everybody  
Debris engulfed everybody that was there  
Everybody thought we were dead  
Everybody  
thought we were dead  
Totally silent  
silent  
just dust in the street  
just dust  
Three thousand people  
Three thousand people were murdered  
What's gonna happen here?  
What's gonna happen here next?

### 3. WTC

Neighborhood resident, women who sat with 9/11 bodies saying Psalms 24/7 until burial, a cellist with a good voice, a cantor

The bodies

The bodies were moved to large tents

On the east side of Manhattan

I would sit there

I would sit there and recite Psalms all night

recite Psalms all night

Simply sitting

sitting

Hashem yishmor tzaytcha uvoecha may atah va-ahd olahm\*

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The world to come

I don't really know what that means

Hiney ahnochi sholayach malach lephaneycha lishmorcha badarech valahaviahcha el-hamahkom asher hakinoti\*\*

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and there's the world

and there's the world right here

\*Psalm 121:8 - The Eternal will guard your departure and your arrival from now till the end of time.

\*\*from The Wayfarer's Prayer (Exodus 23:20) - Behold, I send an angel before you to guard you on the way and to bring you to the place that I have prepared.