## This Land

The Lord brought me out of Egypt

Though, this land I am in is rough and unruly.

A Wilderness that drives my fears to write my thoughts

Because the sky is darker than I imagined.

Expectations have been buried underneath

This ground is covered in rocky soil.

And my eyes gaze on deep valleys rather than hilltops.

Always below and never above- water

So cold my body shivers but I'll try to swim.

Repeating one day at a time.

Wandering towards choices guided by fear, that controls

These wondrous mistakes.

And in every wrong turn I'll cry

Oh God why did you bring me here

Somehow I'll find strength to trudge a little farther.

Though I start to hunger and search for food in my own ways.

What will fill me up? What will satisfy?

And I'll stand in the dust complaining

Oh God, why did you bring me here?

His redemption did not match my plans so I sought

To lay out my own path on rocky soil.

But the rain breathed it away and now

My feet stumble because everything I've built

Has fallen short. I ask

Oh God, why did you bring me here?

The valleys, so deep, I choose to stay.

Rather than hope, trust. I allow my dreams to drift away with the

wind that never stops.

But before I ask again, I see a light on the hilltop that I've never imagined.

I start to walk, no, I start to run, and soon I'm dancing.

Laughing, singing, on the path that's bringing me there.

Not built by these weak brittle hands.

And I'll praise

Oh God how do I deserve to come near.

Eyes transfixed on the light because I now know these

Valleys are not my home.

But there is a hilltop awaiting for my soul.

So i breath, i dance, i praise in this lowland,

That I've accustomed to

Because I'll hear in the silence,

Songs from a high up mountain,

A light so bright I can hardly see this dryland,

"Daughter, One day you'll be home."