

One lover's account...

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# **DEDICATION**

To all of my loved ones, whether friends or family, thank you for your daily support, encouragement and acceptance of everything that I am and everything that I am becoming. You mean everything to me!

And to my love, whom I can feel behind the scenes, thank you for inspiring me to become the person that I am today. Each day I find myself reaching and striving for more, so that I could be the man I know you deserve to have in your life.

This world knows no measure of the love I have for you.

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#### SPACE

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The gust that butterfly's wings must create to thrust itself an inch or two can send a particle of dew to tumble downwards to the ground and get absorbed by your favorite flower

The sound an ant makes when he screams can tremble a vibrant beetles wings enough so that when it takes off, it veers off to one side so much that when it lands, your shoulder is the only place that it can reach, sharing its colors

A simple greeting down the road that took a second, not much more, would leave a string of pleasure, sing a song of leisure to a being that would walk by cheerfully right next to you and smile and gleam so that a little bit of love would shine your way in case today would be the day you're feeling down

An ocean might be separating us but don't you worry oh my love, I have all that I need to be right next to you

Whether the weather or a bug that hears my prayers from up above or down below would break the mold just by an inch and shift the universe just so

So by the time it got to you my presence irrefutable, immutably bring just a bit of comfort in ungodly hours that carries hope and starry eyes, look at the moon oh just one more time before the sandman hand arrives and you can rest your head on mine inside our dreams in which you're mine and I

am yours, combined unknowingly before the day that I can set
The world back down from off my chest
To breath you in and drift away
To see you in another day
Forever yours
My name

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So many things that I could do to chase you down and be with you to crawl, control the threads that bind us

Pull on the matrix lies behind us

I've learned the ways of snake before me and used them freely, end of story

I used them times I saw you last
For my desires to have passed
I used them or perhaps they me
To taint a perfect little seed
But I ran scared for rightful reasons

I did not want to hurt you more
Just like I did with them before
Intentions paved the road to hell
And I've been working day and night

Been wearing colors on the side

Bright neon orange reflects the sky

No more

Don't want to stoop down to the floor Might not be manly to allow the world to bring you to my door but I have made my wanting you right next to me quite clear I hope 'cus I don't want

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Manipulate you in any way shape or form to get you No flattery, no urging, no nagging, no demands

Just my heart waiting for the taking

Laying open in my hands

Pulsating, beating, longing, yearning

If you should take it, please be warned

The love burns hot, it might just scold you

But you must choose it on your own

I cannot play a part in your decision

I cannot force your hand one bit

It must be your exercise of freedom To dive in flames of scorching heat

I really hope to see you wander around my corner of the woods Because this waiting would feel like torture, yet, it is a sweet nectar on my

lips

It cries and cries just for a glance

I know the universe got plans but if for once you crave a chance I'll show you worlds you can attain by grabbing embers

From

My

Tongue

Up through the chest
Where it originally sparked
To weld a fissure in my heart
A fissure bleeding on and on and on
I feel it now, it makes me moan
The pain won't stop
Nor do I want it
Just want it to kick up a notch
Tear me apart
Just need your help
I'll wait
and wait
and wait
and wait
Til you give in to ring that bell

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Heart longs for love The touch of your skin Caress of your gaze Up and down my essence The heart throbs needle pain Penetrating through the skin Out the rib cage dwells again Open for the world to see Doesn't bother me a bit Air it out And get it out And tear it out 'Cus it wants to be within Your insides Inside YOUR skin Alongside its equal mass Cuddled up as close as atoms Separation inconceivable Pain and pleasure felt in unison Beating rhythmically Beating still

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Sitting on a rock, listening to the water rush beside me, couldn't help but see an image in my mind, an image of you, in all the shapes and all the forms and all the faces that you've inhabited. All the pain you've put me through and all the glory in the end. I couldn't help but sing a song to capture all of the events in mind and hope you heard just but a word so I can sleep tonight in knowing that my voice is heard a thousand miles or round the bend wherever you chose to hide out.

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Internal struggles flow throughout No wonder you denied the drought I saw the river flowing strong

Jumped in Got wet

And stayed abroad

No wonder you found freedom in

The loss of contact

The loss of steam

It's simple Short

And to the point

No need for make up to destroy

The beauty of how nature works

The beauty of perfections faults

To choose our roles

To truly be

Whatever we desire

Whatever we believe

And know that when the tine grows near

You'd see the truth

We shed the fear

And with it reinvent the thought

Of how two souls begin to bond

The symbols all around my eyes
Combine together to form a prize
A time, a place, a vibrant scene
Of you and I, a winning team
Success, in body, mind and heart
Tall fortunes, blessed us from the start
Ahead we stare, with gazes fierce
Progression forward, in mind new wins

rogression forward, in mind new wir Through marriage of the psyche The right and left combine Abundance in our heart and soul

The only factor, time
Plant seeds of love and happiness
In fertile grounds within
My mind is full of wonder
My thoughts are simply, WIN

Entranced in silence, Victoria and I Eyes locked together, our hearts undoubtedly combine

The magic of true love is blinding
It stops the public, froze in time
With possibilities galore
You take my hand, and I take yours
A million choices, a billion doors
Each one a promise, a life of more
The sharpest weapon ever forged

Trajectory of you and I defined With pin point focus, strength and will A richer feast doth not been dined With juices flowing and stars aligned Our day approaches, Victory in mind

Can't make you happy
Can't give you love
'Cus you must have it in YOUR heart
Have zero power over you
Only myself and all I do
I'll chose to make myself complete
You do the same and then we'll meet
You will not find your missing piece
You have to mold it, through blazing heat

Take my hand and we'll get lost
Whirlwind of colors all around us
The sun will wink each coming day
We'll shine together, absorb each ray
Reanimate our frozen hearts
Reacclimate to loves warm touch
Retaliate to lonesome nights
Respond, Remember and Reignite
To finally feel a breath of ease
To know you're hers and she is his
And worry not of future days
Because for you, there's only faith

In love that led you to this spot
In the emotion of your heart
In the desire of you two
To be the ones, to be them true
She never makes you change a thing
You're who she loves and strives to win
He wouldn't dare to love her less
For anytime, her heart undress
Reanimate the true loves flames
Reacclimate to worlds unchained
Retaliate to time and space
Return, Recharge and Reembrace

No other girl could take your place
Perhaps your daughter but let's not haste
Our souls to grow and intertwine
Our hearts to merge and love turn blind
For all our planets to align
Live in our dream, get lost in time
To finally feel a breath of ease
To know you're hers and she is his
And worry not of future days
Because for you, there's only faith

I'll promise you the world And bring it to your knees I'll promise you a love That makes your body weak I'll promise you a fire That burns you from within I'll promise you reality Surpass your wildest dreams One thing I could not promise No matter how I try No matter my desire Or willingness or might This thing I cannot promise You probably won't like As much as I would love to I'm never one To lie Can't promise you tomorrow Regardless how you want it Can't guarantee you futures Cus all we've got is this moment I'll promise you my heart Do with it as you may I'll promise you my strength Protect you and be brave I'll promise you the nurture You've craved for all your life I'll promise you all this and more Without demands or fights One thing I could not promise No matter how I try No matter my desire Or willingness or might This thing I cannot promise You probably won't like As much as I would love to I'm never one To lie Can't promise you tomorrow I'm sorry but it's true Can't guarantee you futures But now, it's all for you Right now, it's all for you Right here and now it's all for you

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Two hearts mirroring each other
Every want and every need
Doesn't matter if they gather water or dis-ease
Longing for it brings the former
Latter pleases boisterous feet
When you run you never gather
Pictures on the wall to keep

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Well at last the ends upon us
Watch the final star take shape
Dressed up to the nines while inside the chamber closes

Chapters open Clears his throat The sentence starts Sit beside me Look inside me

Let the movie play along We'll get lost within the hours that would otherwise be gone

Yea I've said a million times
That tonight will be the night
To be frank it is and isn't
Every moment lives and dies
But if I extend this second
Stretch it thin from tail to end
Just perhaps I can imagine
Nor a place, neither a time
That could never really see
And perhaps, that's what I want
Hide inside the fifth dimension
This is where I know you'll be
But for now I'll save a seat
For the infinite and me

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Then I start to see

A kind of nudity that's censored from the eyes of man Internal confidence that doesn't wither or depend on anything or anyone that looks its way

We are the same but you're not me

You're somebody new

In this world or mockery and mimicry

You stand tall above the sea of faces that once tried to drown me

But no more

Now I'm walking out the door

Leaving you

A snuggly warm burrito in our bed

I promise that

I won't be long

I'll bring you flowers

The ones I grew myself on the driveway just so I could pick the prettiest one and send it your way

I'll smell them each and every day and on that day that fragrance reaches sure its perfection

A smell that hints at what you do to me when I can close my eye and dive inside the rolling waves of ecstasy 'cus all I am is just a fool addicted to your sweet forbidden fruit

You sprout desires in my soul and buried roots inside my bones so even when we are apart I feel a part of home, belonging, distant moans that crawl upon my skin resembling fires that we burn when there's no distances

between

Our fingertips

Ride to the sunset

Wake up at dawn

Stumble on treasures in the dark

And sing a gentle harmony with you and I and my guitar

Share with the world

Our love

Engrave the waves with both our names

Let fickle time stare in this way with awe and taste how immortality slide past the day to day and finds it buried in the hands of two mortal bodies

That's why we dance

We twirl and chant

And stare so deep into our eyes

And recognize a part of self that sprung to life inside the body of another Entangled souls finally find each other

To lead a lifestyle bound by growth

To try their best at every turn
To share their journey with the world
To leave the past and build to last millennia to come
Together seeds begin to rise up out of buried darkness and flourish back
into a flower
The nectar that would feed the world
This rose that only grew because you watered it

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Smiles and butterflies arise
Within that sparkle in your eyes
As you sat and joyfully declared
How photography is dead
Captured all between the lines
Underneath each color droplet
Painted over by our mind

Yet

It remains so clear and stagnant
Time might win the war at last
But each memory will last
Every heart beat was recorded
Every moment, felt so raw
Every brush stroke brought to life
Things we wanted from afar
It was you who captured people
In the essence on your page
Won their hearts with but a sketchbook
"Please return another day"

They say, Will you? Who's to say

But your thoughts will travel daily
There and back 5 times a day
Digging up the feelings buried
By the artist on the page
Life would seem to go forever
Limitations out of sight
Sitting down and paint the picture
Of the light

Bouncing off the things we like And perhaps one day you'll find me Dancing up among the stars Nestled gently with Orion, Jupiter won't seem so far

Twirling round the Northern Star and by then all of my songs have faded and my paintings turned to dust You'll still hear the echoes ringing

Echoes of the future's past

Along that which is too mundane I try to change the space and save The very best of me, for you It took me time, and yes It's true that I have faulted many And yes, I've fallen on my face I'm beaten, tired, yet I'm standing Waiting to see you, face to face I've thrown my heart into the aether I've sang my songs in the abyss I've channeled grace and in good spirits I've sent you kisses and embraced Each every portion of your being Each flaw that you may or may not have I care too much to leave you hanging I can't coagulate this bleeding heart Each night the moon is my own postman He sends you messages at night It's but one way that I can reach you For now, I'll miss you in the daylight

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Spent a year inside detention, Carving brick walls in my mind But today a window opened Felt the breeze, and smelled the pines Frolicked in the vibrant meadows Got distracted purple hues Kneeled on one knee and proposed Shall we eat a plum or two? Yes I feel it The abundance Fifty more each time I reach For a small part of mortality Slightly staring at deaths feet Russian jargon keeps me focused as the scarlet letter passed Four bananas and one orange That's the price of a tank of gas

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The trees will keep us warm at night
The canopy will steel our sight
The moment plight assence your lies will be the gree

The moment plight escapes your lips will be the greatest of our lives

This sadness entering our skin

The purge will happen from within

These fingers scout the land ahead

This breath will fly,

Never to return again.

Inside eternity, inside your light

A rescue mission undermined my one ability to thrive within the confines

of my one track mind

Yet I will find

A timeline that has crossed both space and time

One parallel to you and I

And I

Did pluck it from above, I tugged and pulled and yanked and shoved And down she came, down came my love

She merged our worlds

We joined at last

Now I can look outside once more

And see a string that once was gold

Turn red

And lead without a doubt

I'll follow blindly

All my life

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The night could not be colder Didn't stop be nonetheless Sat beneath the moon for hours Just to hear your soul undress As though the freckles on the surface Spoke of mysteries within And the depths of darkest waters Would bring love to me again Nothing on this earth could stop me Golden giant, high on you You are glistening in the moonlight Gaia's heart reborn in you Pulling on these strings so gentle Lay me down and let me go Losing you was almost fatal Falling from that waterfall Younger still emerge upon us Be the light you're meant to be bless us with your hues of darkness Don't you worry about me Only after Evie's laughter May we melt the ice caps free Will our friendship reignite us Running to my destiny

A day to remember No I didn't forget Every gift that you've sent me Has been placed on the shelf Every trophy and ribbon Each expression alike Sits atop of the mantle Radiating your heart I remember the reasons I still feel what I feel That ain't goin' to wither Distance keeps me estranged 'Cus the shackles I wear now Are of my own free will They're the trophies I cherish It's what taught me these skills And believe me, I promise To deliver it, honest But first I needed healing To my shock got bombarded What I tell you this evening I can surely stand firm I have seen your reflection I have felt ghastly colds Yet, I weathered it graceful So did you, I could tell Now there's one thing remaining I must see you again

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You look as fly
As the mountain sky
On a summers eve
When the nightly breeze
Whistling by
Making you slow down, inhale
Exclaim, "Man it's good to be alive"

Have you seen this one before?
The one that keeps on waiting?
Isn't rushed by fools behind her?
Just sits back to watch the sun
Set her standards way too high
You would snicker, call her crazy
Walks alone both too and fro
Stops to smell the growing flowers
Isn't tangled inside time
Just allows the beat to linger
Isn't fazed by public eye
All she wants is to remember
Just a girl and her guitar in between a world of silence
Making music with her heart
It's her tribute to the goddess

Train tracks rattle back and forth Hear her heart beat past your eardrums

Flowers falling from the sky Every petal symbolized Moments that would bring us high Up the mountains high above Gently set it at your feet Love this true knows no defeat Heart so pure, blind men could see Feeling of your tender love Know that I could spend a lifetime Soaking in your warm embrace Waking up inside our silence Always craving one more taste Thank the heavens that you came New moons captured our intent Blessed was the lion when Taurus started his ascent And I will lean in one more time Whispering these words divine You allowed my heart to shine Realized the face of beauty Please remember love of mine I will always be inside In your breath and in your eyes Nights may pass but my love, My love is forever

Entering my scene Like a silent movie film The wind, she made you fly Through my heart and through my mind It's as if it all made sense Every puzzle and every scent Why my feet were grounded still After years of restlessness Swaying back and forth Running in and out A flower spun between my fingers I withstood the drought You sat in front of me that night I let it bleed, my heart, she howled You gazed upon, your eyes, they shined For but one moment Stretched oh so thin Embraced me Forget again That after this we'll go our ways But rest assured This day, today Will be engraved, and will be saved Until the final breath I take

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I reach out for a hand To fill the space between my fingers

You're always there

A smile to share

A cross to bare

Anywhere

I'm always here

After a day of chasing dreams you've always wanted someone in between your sheets,

Laying, sleeping, keeping space but never weeping For you

I've always wanted someone to wake up to
To kiss goodbye as your eyes shy away from lights too bright for young
ungodly hours

Leave a note of love behind

While you chased butterflies inside your head

On a pillow that we shared

Just like those nightmares that would eat us up when life would keep us separate

No longer so

A cat would scurry on the floor

Black fur and whiskers to her toes

Would wake you after I had gone to spread the joy among the young, the reckless, the confused, the dumb but willing to transform

How much I've grown

The songs I wrote for you still linger in our home You keep them floating through the air in hums and moans The air conditioned to the melodies reverberate the walls to sooth the sleeping toddler woken by imaginary fears

Don't worry I'll be here

We'll sing you harmonies and whisper in your ear that mom and dad won't let a single tear fall short

That every miracle brought forth a time and place Where little feet would grow to big ones

Without the bitter taste that we our self had to embrace until the day that came to wake us from a slumber and shake us 'til we almost gave up but

never did

Because we saw each other in the mirror
We read the other in our books
And on the radio, TV
And in the clouds

And license plates

And on the billboards that would scream of other nonsense but within each sentence sparks gave us more than they could see

It was destined, you and me

Music shaped the waves that crunched the universe in ways that shortened every road and valley

That looped each corner on itself So that no matter where we traveled The other one would be in reach

It was that day

That day that smelled like country rain

That day that I forgot my mind and turned around to meet my fate

Eyes locked

Hearts beat in rhythmic pace Jaws drop and tears begin to race

It came

The day the prophecy left out

Was never written down in stone

But there it was

As real as daylight

The moment ceased to flee, finding its rest It landed softly in these tired, withered hands

And found a home, nurtured and all

Never to fall short again

I look upon you The same face The same expression The same glow inside your eyes The same freckles Same selection of foundation on your cheeks But for reasons I don't know The excitement has grown to slow I'm not flying past my limits Happy hovering above Bushes, tree stumps, kissing lovers But for me, my love, it's enough Used to send you long emotions Carving them on every tree Proving you my deep devotions Now I see you, and just breathe I don't hide I cannot linger I'm not howling at the moon I'll just walk and know inside me That I'll see you back at home Snuggle closer All alone Words can rest inside our silence

Let our hearts embrace the moment Peace is worth its weight in gold

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There is happiness in your eyes that escape the grasp of many
A glimmer of innocence hangs off the tips of your eyelashes
Behind the cornea lies a soul too delicate for this world
It is the pain endured that gave birth to a straight posture and an aromatic heart

The scars that once bled gave a blades edge to your beauty that intoxicates with each glance

That is why a glimmer of innocence is so rare to see A glimmer of hope that screams out for more of the impossible But

> Time has proven to be on our side And lady luck favors the hopeless romantic

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I'll continue in a moment
Recollect my thoughts and start
Reasoning with salty water
To the facts on which I float
Found my hope behind some alley
Took her hand and brought her home
Shook her dry and fed her belly
Now she never feels alone
No one wants to feel alone

There's a coin that rolled between the floorboards in the distance Listened as the sound so gently stopped in mid chorale No one would surmise the absent presence of my laughter The laughter ended when I came back to life

> Man it's good to be alive Question everything that happened There's a story underneath

All they want is your compliance \*Unzips pants\* "Get on your knees!"

Toxic people want your essence
They're too weak to make their own
Cut them off and watch them shrivel
Build your energy alone
Build momentum on your own
Once you walk through open portals
You may want to turn on back

Once your eyes are fully open You can't possibly go blind Either fight for righteous action Or fall victim, slowly dying.

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The constellations circled back around
The cold embraced me once again
The shining lights that glimmered on the sidewalks
Entranced me to the very, very end
The flame that flickered in my eyes
The silhouettes that blurred the lines
Each sign that whispered through the night
Told of a tale of you and I

Chase each other through the timelines
Your presence lingers in her eyes
She'll pull too deep and send me running
You're left to search both far and near
A scent will hit me as I exit
Intensified with every breath
My knees collapse in the remembrance
Of moments past that flood into my brain

So rock me back and forth 'til I'm asleep
Can't stop the train
Can't leave the tracks
Just find sweet comfort in the melody that beats
On metal lines that parallel and weave
Only our souls define
Whether we live or die

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Though the longing may be blue
These fingers keep on strumming through
In wisps the air gets sucked away
Donated from my lungs again
Today I weep and grasp at holograms appearing through my sleep
So close to me yet every reach gets smacked away ungratefully
Stifled, leaking salt back to the sea

One day I'll rise
One day you'll see
One step through time
Is all that I can manage 'til
Aurora finally breaks free
When the sun dogs get released
When split atoms reunite at last

We'll find ourselves
In time

In time
In space
Residing face
To face

Where physics breaks It's the last moment right before Creation takes its place

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A voice to quiver your heart
A sound no quicker to stop
Flow on to seep into the fabric
Of reality today, will radiate
Each speck of dust
Each cell of mine
No matter where, its true
I cannot hide
Nor would I want with a beauty
So pristine
Clean and passionate
Unwavering

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What does it have to take to find a woman to love to cherish and to hold

To share a song from top to bottom

To sing, to play and to behold

A queen among a sea of people

The one that makes me tremble,

Gamble with my dreams and try to hold it all together like escaping steam

on leather

Lean and sexy

Heart of gold and shape of tears

Dammit, where you've been?

I look out to make connection

With your eyes, I get blank stares

So if I'm not the one to find you

Then get your sweet ass out of bed

I've been stuck upon this mountain as addicted as I've been to the empty space, the silence that you've given me at the beginning

In my time I've carved this mountain

Paved the trails from top to base

Hoping that one day you'll stumble

On a road you'll have to take

One that always leads to me

Sitting on the peak

Alone

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To be free

Come and see me when you're ready

To begin a family

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The time we spent alone However short or long Has gifted me one thing Sensations in my heart No longer numb or dark Allowing me to dream Of futures bright Pure bliss, delight Romance, a flame that's blinding Someone to hold To call my own Forever walks beside me Whether you stay Whether you go Whether you love Whether you won't Neither my heart Neither my soul Be torn apart (cus I) Cus I found my home Humming along to a Stranger's song The distance shrinks away Connections made A heart is saved Illusion of separation's gone It doesn't take Much time or faith Or reason in your mind To find the one Who truly feels Belonging by your side Whether you stay Whether you go Whether you love Whether you won't Neither my heart Neither my soul Be torn apart (cus I) Cus I found my home I found my home

Who could foretell What would transpire The moments after our first kiss A burning fire A sparked desire Of sapphire drying on my lips I picked you up and checked you out That night I could not sleep one wink You had me struck just by your covers And then the ink inside of you would sing Each passage filled with gratitude Each word would reach my soul Without your pillow whispers in my ear I would have never know this hope Your story filled with endless love Each sentence ended with a kiss I read between your every line And carved your chapters on my chest

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I dream of a world where you and I Can learn so easily Where kids will be allowed to fly Where no one has to be afraid to learn Where chances given, respect is formed Where nothing needs to be enforced 'Cus fun of learning will surpass And growth of mind will let you pass Onto a plane of limitless creation And you will find no reason for impatience For all creations take good time They take your effort, your brilliant mind One day it will come back to you One day it'll all fall into place The puzzle pieces will race To take their shape And form each day To be the one you've felt before A magic land that gives you more Of peace and love and satisfaction It brings you forth to the attraction Of every thought you once had had All of the good, all the of the bad And with it, contrast that will shed Creative aspect of what you've laid Upon your life from the beginning They come to pass for you my darling Just give to us a little effort A picture never seen before Just live your life without restrictions Just go for it with all of your Might and strength and courage fostered I promise you, it will be there When you require that little extra push It all will come from your inside The power courses through your almighty mind It brings you closer to abyss Of endless wonder and pure magic Just send you love, sealed with a kiss

I was blinded by the light
You were hiding in plain sight
I was trying to reclaim my life
You walked in through the door and you
Set my heart on fire

I took your hand and you took mine
We went along the river bend, and you smiled
I thought your beauty was beyond divine
A star disguised in human form
Bring me to life

Too soon I recognized the signs that I should go My fears materialized in the mirror that you hold Thought I could give you my heart, make it your home

But I, I proved myself wrong
I was wrong, I was wrong, I was wrong
So many years have gone by
The ground had vanished in mid stride
I caught the culprit of these crimes
And now, I just wish we could go back
To you and I, you and I, you and I
I just want to apologize
I just need to apologize
I wish I knew
Just ask the moon

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What a moment
What a time to be alive
Walking side by side with wolves
Ruby sparkles, lean and full
Smiles fill the atmosphere
Twinkles gleam
Our hearts may sing
For the chance of being here
Evening marches on to star fall
I now know what it's about
Dancing in the moon lit rain
No more worries

Hold my hand and float in darkness
Tame this moment, make it stay
Couldn't promise you a future but I'm giving you today

It's ok

Everyday
Seconds add to fill this space
Walls once bare
Afraid to open up and share
Screaming louder than the pain
That I once felt

Longing for you scent
For the chance to look you up and down
Take you in, exhale, and drown
Moan the night away in pleasure
You and me, once more, together
Put the pieces back in place
With my hands, your hands embrace
Lace my heart up, like my shoes
That walked miles to get to you
Face the truth that kept us separate
Deep inside, I knew you meant it

Bewildered by the sight
Of sparkled starry eyes
The song sang soft and gentle
Inside my heart
You couldn't tell
The lava rising through the mantle

You turn around
I catch a glimpse
My heart did stop
With thoughts of romance

I don't know why but in my mind I couldn't shake the feelings of Familiarity and sights of you and I Being acquainted times before Believe me that my focus was drawn As tensely as a bow and arrow A diving sparrow fishing for its only meal Delivered from the depths of hell Desire, passion, ringing bells The oldest chapter in the book A spell of love, attaching hooks That pull me in, seductive looks Like glancing straight into the sun Oh but one second at a time Can one appreciate the soul Of love began so long ago

I'm but a man who finds this love
The final frontier, rests above
A destination in the world, imagination to the masses
Re-invitation to the fool
Who threw bricks stones in loves glass houses

I let it go
After the moment passes
Been burned before
But the emotion last and lasts
We head our way
After our initial phase
That rocked my foundation
The day light fades

And there you are again, and dancing
Your hips they sway from left to right
You look my way, perhaps a subtle invite
Can't help but smile and dance on through
Allow the music to speak my truth
The rhythm rocks me side to side
A subtle glide, a glance inside
She slides in closer just to see
The endless world I've made inside of me

She runs about, just hoping for the chase
Play cat and mouse, but a lion doesn't play that way
I left as soon as the music stopped
Went on my way, did not look back
Sat down to play, a song or two
Of love, of searching, about you

And as I open up my eyes I see you sitting by my side Eyes open, gleaming in the night You touched my heart with just one sight I felt your beating heart in mind I sang that love song with all might Emotions brighter than that light That blinded me across the campfire Don't know you or what you're about Don't know your future or your doubts Don't know if you've ever had a cast From broken bones and children's laughter Don't know the struggles of your life Don't know achievements of delight Don't know if you've grown wings to fly Don't know your feelings, lows and highs, Don't know a single fact about you Yet here I sit Falling so deep Skipping all sleep Just to feel one more moment by your side

It's been two days, still haven't said a word straight to your face
Don't want to rush and let it go to waste
I like a saunter kind of pace
A silent phase

#### The one I learned to savor

But you bring out the hidden shades of love And though I could, swoop in and sweep you off your feet

For once This time

I want you to choose me
That's why I place before you distance
I wonder if you'll grow to miss me
That's why I melt when you decide
To sit right next to me all night

It breaks my heart to see you walk away
Not knowing if I'll see the day
Where you and I can run away and play
A game that people play when they're alone

A game of friction Sweat and moans

A game that leaves the body numb That leaves it trembling from the fun Of two whole separates merging into one No other boundaries can be won

Connections pulsing
Hooks deep inside

The spirits wander See the divine

Through practice

Jerking tears of life

In throws of passion all through the night

The two collide

A husband and a bride

Not knowing what comes next

Uncertainty abides

But fear no longer lingers here

As you and I lay side by side

No single worry comes to mind

We now reside in a world between the lines Free to design a life where you and I may bind

Elope and run away
To find our quiet place
Embrace our grace
And after these long days of torture

At last lay down inside our home

How joyous of a time
I find you next to me in line
I decide to give you that which once was mine
A painting of my rights and wrongs
Of breadcrumbs life laid out in plain sight
To see if I can find the path that leads

Most light
An essence of myself not made

That can compare to other one I laid upon you open hands this morning

To make for certain

That you may know

The feelings burrowing down below

Maybe someday, we'll see the golden threads of fate

We will combine the broken lines that brings us closer to the truth

Until that time
Can't run of hide
Just want one thing
To know your side
Although we've had some time to
Be one on one just passing though

The world along our rearview
No focus paid to things but you
It feels so new and yet familiar

Don't have a clue just how I got you here

But now I know I have to see The depths of your personality

The reason for your smiles

The pain of heartaches you try to hide

The insecurities kept alive To grow infinitely in life

And how you did what most cannot

To catch my interest

Ignite my spark Unravel mysteries that prove

Our paths to cross

A new direction free of loss But 'til this life decides to form

I'll do my best and give you

I'll do my best and give you

More emotions buried deep Sing all my heart for you to see

And find such pleasure that you lay On that blue blanket, 10 feet away

No sweeter sight I've yet absorbed
No ocean
Mountain
Scenic road
Has held a chance with your sweet glance I see upon your face today

One thing is for certain
I didn't say goodbye
'Cus from this moment on
Your heart it lives inside
I carry it with me though space
Through time, it grows encroaching haste
But just as what I sang that night
You love me pure with all your might
Inside my universe, you will be bright
Shine on my star, shine on your light

# BETWEEN

Why do we do the things we do to do or feel the things we feel are real? What makes the devil up and move to move up to the surface and scratch his nails against your window?

What stopping you from staying still and face the faces that we are still afraid of facing in the mirror of our heart or mind or soul for matters make it worse it matters to un-curse the lover from the holds of chitter chatter that the devil whispers in to this free space of matter.

Shotter the illusion great her the inclusion to a world of begins but not

Shatter the illusion, grant her the inclusion to a world of hearing but not grieving letting go of hooks deliberately waiting to take hold and pull us down below.

What is it for?

Just but a silent pinhole in the air that sucks in time spits out free will will will your might up from the core to sit alone and hear the roar

Of mice run to and fro
Deliver news of nothing more
And fade back down to separate doors
Galore of praise again, what for?

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It just seems like every day I am looking for something And I hope this time I'll find The destination in my mind As long as I can see it clear Ahead I know it will grow near Appear in front of my two eyes My heart no reasons left to cry Each time I get one more step closer I know I can't go any further Each time I see the path grow clearer The fog rolls in, it turns to winter Each face I meet, they make me happy But I can't be your friend, I'm sorry I move on though, forever searching I don't know what to do Открыв глаза смотрю не знаю где Я Только посторонний здесь стоит Напротив глядя на меня, не понимая

Куда чудак спешит
Он криком быстро замерзает
Кричу, чудак ну помоги
Ты видишь что я умираю
Закрой глаза и вновь родись
Please just bring me back to the place where I belong

Just don't send me back to all these worlds unknown

I look around and see
this beauty is all around me
There's nothing that I need
I finally believe
Your heart was born complete
Just trust me, just trust me
The sense of peace that you may seek
Is closer than you think
The sense of peace that you may seek
Is right inside of me

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There are worms inside their mind
Steal their peace and feed on freedom
Block the gates to heavens kingdom
Force all men to seek out crimes
Causing havoc, blurring lines
Circulating its dark magic
Dreams of nightmares, bleak and tragic
Poison, flowing through their veins
Thoughts of judgment rot their brains
Out the window go all logic

Battle starts when you shine focus
Bring awareness to your wounds
Cease the spread of poison fumes
Gossip feeds the plagues of locusts
Starve the parasite and notice
Love and light begin to enter
Saturate our souls with embers
Set ablaze the world anew
Peace and joy will bloom in you
Illuminate our darkest chambers

And remember, do your best
Every moment that you get
Don't allow your peace be stolen
By the demons of the fallen
Find your center, let them rest
And remember, do your best
Every moment that you get
Don't allow your peace be stolen
By the demons of the fallen
Find your center, let them rest

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I've been sorting through this haze Tripping over my own feet Getting up and moving forward With no sight, only by feel Understanding Only where I've been Try to use the echoes wisely I call out Can't hear you back Try a different door or alley Washed upon the shore alone Drenched and soaked straight to my bones On solid ground Call out once more A woman comes in fire red Flowing like wind around my head God made all roses just for her Walks up to me Leans in so close With hesitation I confess I'm only looking for my Grace

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Through one hole and out the other Skipping timelines like some stones
On the surface of the river
That one had like 20 more
Spin and speed are just two factors
Navigation is the problem
Where you end up no one knows
Learn to drive with your eyes closed

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There comes a time
Where all the signs are pointing to the middle
When every rhyme

Come from the mind of reason

So please excuse me when I decide to step aside, move to the fringes of the night and go back to the place that struck me like a bolt of lighting A place allowing me to howl up to the moon and bring relief to all my

wounds that festered slowly

A place that doesn't have directions No GPS, no physical location Only a pure somatic sensation

Projecting outward like the air on a hot day

Escapes the pavement out in waves

It's centered in you

It resonates

Creating ripples through the aethers

Creates the time and space we see

Real shapes and matter coalesces

Into the images we seek

into the images we seek

That's why I have to stop and listen To what my heart just wrote to me

I have to stop and reassess my reasons

For who I am to be

I'll rest here 'til I see

The silhouette I've grown to miss

Mirages coming out to greet me

I hope that one of them

Will be

The one that my heart sings for In my sleep

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Watch me spin around in circles
Fifth time I've been here today
Walking up and down the hallway
A minor resurrected from the grave
I could hear the past collapsing
Structuring the world a new
Birds are chirping
Sun is shining
What was once
No longer hurting
What was done
Long gone forgotten
Now the new gets time to brew

Eyes are open Heart, asleep Underneath this blanket, sadness Tries to melt away its problems Roll on over, back to sleep Second time No expectations Dreams were bitter sweet once more Soul is missing truth and passion Yet, your feet still hit the floor Setting sail off lonely shore Even though it can be hard It's our choices that define us Persevere and have some faith What you find, this life, surprise us Stormy days can bring in kindness Light breaks through the clouds above True change happens in one moment Moment that is housed in love Past the pain Follow your comfort Gold heart echoes back and forth Find yourself among the living Up ahead, a challenge, thrilling With new friends that keep you breathing Keep you moving, brand new start Pays to listen to your heart

Each day we rise and fall Outside of our control The thermals up above Will stumble In and out of your soul Can fight it night and day But reconsider if you may How can you win against this Immaterial sway in the trees Change the way of the winds Avoid the waves of the seas When, you see You're but a cork in the ocean Bobbing up and down If you just relax Let go of your commotion Float up, sink down and feel Just how divine Your whole experience So mean at times, so kind Is just like the changing of the tides You rise, you grow, you fall You do it all again But with it learn

To be a friend

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Seedling sprout surrender sweetly
Over to the light so weakly
Bow as low on knees you grovel
Less than speck of dust you marvel
Fill yourself with divine guidance
Drain the detours to your kindness
From a seed success will slither
Through the cracks the time will bring us
Closer, closer, closer still
To the final moment when, all of it begins
When the darkness got engulfed
When the star dust took its shape
When the lovers reunite
When no boundaries remain

You will find a bed of flowers radiating night to day Kneel on down beside your brothers, hand in hand will bring us change Bring a tear

Misplace it somewhere past the eyes Feed the soil with cries and whales of your hearts long lived tales

Of the battles it endured
Finally to lay down arms
Near your loved ones
In their chest
Hide it all away to rest
Peace attained within your best
Nothing left to beg or fight for
Everything is found between
Fleshy gyrus of these sulci
Radiate, like flowers
Radiate and bring them near
Radiate and let them break
Radiate to give them reasons
To radiate themselves today

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Only darkness can caress the light
Only voids can offer growth a space
To rise above the limits set
To shine from wholy places in our mind
To bring us closer to beloved regrets
And bloom aromatize the spark
Each speck a lightning in its right
Bring down the house and let it rest
These wretched bones have seen enough
Intent has always been enough
This heart it weeps inside your dreams enough
To long, to call, to let it know
There's flowers growing in this garden and you might need some beauty for a change
Well come and open up your arms then

Well come and open up your arms then I'm saving all this ripened fruit for you

Throw your words into the fire
They'll be needed not today
Just accept the world's desire
To remain the same
Walk away and keep on searching
Ask your heart which turn to make
Know the place that you arrived at
Hasn't changed

First, experience the realm that's reserved just for the dreamer
Find a purpose in your path
Share the eyes displayed forever
On these walls once bare
Then to find oneself unhurried walking through a view forgotten
Getting pulled by distant past
Find the moment we got lost in
Lost within your stare

Read the answers on the silence Written by this sunny day I'm still waiting on that island Scribbling your name

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A spark is hidden Builds on itself

Two sparks combine will make you melt Compound the differences without a haste In time you'll find the sum expands beyond

The notions placed inside your head You mind feels lighter, free of dread

You see the sparkle in their eyes No one is separate

All divine

You can imagine how they bind

Into a whole, into one big picture
You'll have to go blind but

With that You'll find

A love no smaller than the world combined
One step, two step, a thrust, a sigh, relief, a hug, a kiss,
A heart longing recognized
The one in front to be the one
That sparkles brighter than the sun

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Past the second hand you'll find
Nothing short of the divine
Freedom that will put to shame
Even their American dream
Melt between this analog
Find yourself begging for more
Move beyond this wretched scheme
And become
But one of few
To see Cosmos from the view
Of infinity perspective
Of what can and will ensue
Of solutions misdirected
And a way to lead you
Through...

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Well I'm sitting in the dark Peering through the canopy

Falling angles

Glowing halos Wishing only

For my lover

Underneath my breath I chuckle

'Cus

I've said it times before

Seeing love around the corner thinking What I'd give for you to see me hoping

For more

So let the stars fall

From the heavens

Burn the air that I am breathing

Fill my heart with ashy remnants

Make my tears fall, make my dreams grow, make my fear and make my pain slow, make my brain stop just

For now

So alarm clock starts to ring

But I'm already gone

'Cus I've been sprinting like a madman

I've been

Running marathons

Been living underwater 'cus I'm drowning in this longing

The only sound I'm watching is this

Watch on my left hand

Share what you reap

You've sewn it so well

So steep yet so fair

My love's always real

Surrounded by colors that shout out my luck

No matter the number, I'll still be your rock

Burn the air that I am breathing

Fill my heart with ashy remnants

Skin my pride and burn the leather no the weather won't stay shallow

Hold my hand when I am sulking

Let me starve when I start jonesing

Don't want to try to fool you, now a king but once a jester

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Form is basic
Shaped the same
As the day to day mundane activities of
Rain and wind that gush right past you that
Break the branches on the pastures
It's all there
Nothing has changed
We simply forgot how to look beyond our own face
There's a mirror
There, reflection
Oh my god!
An imperfection?!

Running wild while rest remains
If you want to play the game
All the rules were written in a grain of sand

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A moment lasts a century in the heart My eyes

They quiver

They tear up

All from the truth that spills out oh so sweetly I couldn't help but stare at you so deeply

I shake I die

But your somber tone brings me back to life

Your song

It penetrates my life

A love, forever seeking

A want, forever grieving

A soul forever hungry

Can't satisfy the emptiness

But your warm and fluttery sensation

Brought out within me elation

You quickly stole my heart

While you stood here in the dark

Baring your total soul

Eclipsed my heart just so

I know it isn't fair

I wouldn't blink

I couldn't dare

Miss a single second

Emotion or expression

Your words they rang so true

So passionate

So loose

Could not control my action

Fell hard, without your asking

All moment's all it took

There is magma in your arteries This fire flows within It's fueled by all your tragedies Transmuted with your sins One touch from golden fingers Can set the lands ablaze The continents will shiver From every step you take This power comes from cosmic rays From unisons of future days Alignment pleads within your heart And purple, bleeds from every cut Just stop The current flowing leaves you blue Sit still, Let waves roll through to you She'll visit you and shape your truth Now disciplined, begin to move. Be born of fire and of ice Opposing forces merge inside The power's given to the mighty Inside your palm, the future lies Don't think too hard Just close your eyes Your fate has already been decided

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Just stop and smell the rose They'll remind you of your home And the next time you are dazed, confused You will need to find that road Don't forget to look up high Where the birds are gliding by Where they dance 'til sun gets eaten Where they sing to passer-by's They'll remind you of your nature So that when you're feeling down You'll recall the threads that led On this path and it'll remind That One road that leads you to heaven To that state of peace in mind And you'll stop your bloody worries Redesigned and re-inspired Find yourself back at the mercy Of all that Which makes the world go 'round

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The flight
of this sound
can reach past your ears
Explodes in your membranes
caressing your brain
A whisper that lingers
and spikes up the flesh
No need to fill the silence
the music is near

From chimney to chimney From world to world The eye gets wider To see the whole One box can suffocate the heart Asphyxiate the will to thrive Each jump you make gets easier still Connecting neurons and worlds until It all gleams bright, ideas unified Our box ain't separate There is no you or I Zoom out 'til separate Converge in center eye Where all the storms find their own peace Where turmoil sleeps Where you and I can finally be And things tend to repeat To repeat

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Judge not by the completion of my skin But by the character within You see your story come alive But understand, I'm not that guy You take your thoughts and let them roll I'm but a screen for every soul To look upon their darkest secrets Through me you'll either judge or grow The monster that you see is hidden The saint you found is all too close Whatever image you're perceiving It starts within your very mind And falls upon the ground For you to pick it up But you just look away It takes just but a second to realize this trash Is self-contained It is self-made Dispose of it and you will save Not just yourself But our own mom For future days

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Every boundary you see Was erected carefully Each decision was precise -Where you may or may not pass There are some who test the limits Of a person's heart with gimmicks Push the line a little further Climb the fence for feeless entry Scurry side to side no worries There's no consequence Don't worry... No one else can see It's blurry... Get away with murder Surely... Just ignore the signs They're boring...

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There's no hiding from the light
In the shadows of the past
You've been bound by false delight
By the comfort of your sorrows
Every prick that pierced the skin
Further drives the point, beloved
Liars come and go like flint
But a flicker in your silence

Balance taught you that the light couldn't live without some darkness Harness treasures from the plights of each morning that we borrow Though there's pain and there is suffering

Though the venom runs within
You can stand and fight for something
Maybe one day, you will win
Maybe one day we will win
Maybe that's the point of life
Maybe everything's within

Grinning ear to ear
Jump on in
to murky waters

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You've watched me
Fail and succeed
Did we agree?
To get together somewhere else
You and me

You cannot live your life Without me by your side But I will see For you to be A Majesty, a Queen

I cannot sleep
I cannot bathe
I cannot run
I cannot shave
I'm sitting here, I don't know what to say
I've been pretty happy, recounting my whole day

There's no avoiding life She'll find you just the same She'll throw you to the wolves Return with each one tamed The fool will say he's ready At any moments whim The wise man sits and studies Accepting death within It's fear that drives the common plane Without it, who's to blame? Observe your courage reappear Regain control of it and steer The lessons written very clear Your driving force is put in gear And at that moment Decisions come What kind of man will you become? What choices led you to this place? What have you learned along the way? What powers hidden in a day? What universe you found to stay? And how much impact do you make? New experiences give new devices

To tinker with lives vices

Oh time How frivolous you are How slow you trickle on and on Cicadas underground

A thing I could not find

More frivolous than time
Having no true direction
Its passing undermined
Our only wish forget it
Displaced it from the mind
Get lost within the moment
Rekindle the divine

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Nothing left to recreate

Everything that you have made

Grows from the ashes of the heart you once possessed

In your grasp it had to melt

So that we can witness how attachment to delusions and the struggle to

maintain

Balance, sanity, innately present in our veins can bring down the tallest man

But you mustn't falter now Standing tall comes with the title

I am me and you are you

There's no compromising that

Even in our foggiest mindset

Where confusion learned to thrive

Even there we find a kernel of our self, trying to hide

Pluck it from the highest branches Set it back down on the ground

Tell it that you're tired of chasing

Faces

Just be here and settle down You have found and bound the reasons to exist There is purpose underneath our very feet

> Drill it Mine it Refine it Then

Give it away

Reverse pick pocket and watch them smile for days when they reach in with their hand

Pulling out a miracle

Planting it atop their former graves Recapitulates the past and releases all the pain

Let the purity inside feel at home again

Linger there

Craft down a home

If you wanted friends who know you You must build it, then they'll come.

But for now

Feel love alone

# CRESCENT

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Each point of data that should rise to point a finger at the lies that we our self continually prize 'cus it defends our ignorance

Makes zero sense to why we dig in deep, bury our heads and hide

When life is on the brink

In fact we're already past it

Yet we still sit and we debate whether the truth is politically correct

I've made my peace with this absurdity

I'm looking forward to my death

I live in full each every day and nothing stops my breath from coming in and out, not yet

I do not waiver with self-doubt

I've tasted life with all its nectar

And any day I welcome the eternal specter with a scythe to float above and take my life

But even then I do my best to share a little of my truth that we should not sit idly by

While glaciers melt and nature cries for our attentions, we are the wrong We are the problem, we hold the gun inside our mothers mouth, with every moment, clench the trigger a little tighter til. it . pops.

If you look away it'll just fade

No need to worry about your place or the part you personally play in the upheaval of dismay because you see, you didn't cause it did you?

You didn't girn the bills that passed

You didn't sign the bills that passed

You didn't force their hand to press on when your auto needed gas You didn't dump your trash in oceans You simply throw all yours "away"

It's out of sight and out of mind
You've done no wrong, it's always "They"
They need to this, they need to that, I didn't do it, it's they who must
It's not my fault

I'm in the right

Whatever happens, it's not my fight
They'll reach consensus all on their own and clean their mess in time to

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Mourn collapse of all I value Of the fresh air and waters pure

Of frolicking in empty valleys

Now filled with smog as hell fire burns

"I didn't do it

I swear on God"

Will echo out through every home And we'll all know in fact you didn't Stand up to fight for what's your own

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The flicker of fluorescent bulbs Shake the image unrecognizable Where you came from, where you'll go Doesn't matter 'Cus the goal is just a mark to aim at You can miss or you can get the bull Where the treasure lies is subtle As the arrow draws itself from quivers Hastily attaches to the string Finds a place to rest and reconsider Which direction's destined for its fate Bow pulls back, the arrow follows, Someone's pulling all the string All you got to do is sit there Ready for the sweet, sweet, Release tension, let it go Soar much faster than before Where you end up is unknown But just look around a moment Hear the whistle of the wind Pierced by your intents and focus Drown out any fools that spoke Up against you or your choices All of that no longer serves you You were engineered to fly Feel the thrill of every second It could end, just blink one eye Zooming faster, faster, faster You begin to realize It was never bout the target Never 'bout the cozy quiver Never 'bout what bow you nuzzled Never even bout the skills Of the archer up above If you believe in that kind of stuff No This is it

-It's what you're feeling
In this moment as you fly
The beginning had no meaning
In the end, we'll all just die
But for the lucky that are chosen

That hear voices in the mind
Sharpen them into a point
Pierced with discipline, compounded time
For the lucky few remaining
Craving for the taste of life
Strings are taut now
Bow pulled back now
Hope you're ready for this ride

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One way or another

The symbols speak the truth

The cuts and bruises I've accrued

Have given rise to you

The pain and blisters might be screaming

The blood may ripple in a pool

The aches have settled down quite nicely

Within their proper home and place

It's easy to recount the losses, to look at your defeated face

But can you see past all the scratches and find the warrior's hidden grace?

The strength it took to go to battle

To wage a war you couldn't win

To get beat up, to scream and rattle

And still stand tall must be a dream

To get beat up, to scream and rattle
And still stand tall must be a dream
Yet here you are, all might no glory
Who needs it when you look around
The weak willed bitch and moan 'til morning
But you my friend
You stitch those wounds and pray for more

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Looking back It's not that bad

Yet that cloud that once was black

Still remains and travels low

In the eyesight of tomorrow

Looking back

I could have fought

But the tranquilizer dart had immobilized all action

Thoughts were steered from fear

Not laughter

Pain that no one should endure

Fly away but we must

Not

Falter

Not

Hault

Or

Slow down even for a glimpse

Yes Lunderstand

I understand that I do not

I had battles that I fought

Yours are different that I see

But the lesson still remains

To be

The one

To set you free

To give you wings

Become someone

Some body

Who can look back at the pain

And remain

Un-waivered

Unchanged

Unafraid

To stare it in the face

To demand that fate will change

To create the will to thrive

To give back and to survive

To see all that was and say

I wouldn't have it any other way.

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You've left me hoarse from all this screaming I fall before you on my knees From years of lonely tribulations All I can do is beg and plead I felt the pain that fell upon you From actions mindless and coerced My time has come to grow beyond you This chapter finished, lessons learned Too long this hamster wheel entranced me Too young to go out on my own Through years of silence and surrender I've let it go and stopped to mourn The loss of indecisions The nature of control The fear of the unknown And let my wings spread forth To catch the oceans breeze Fly free among my loved ones I've joined my family Tomorrow might not find us I've made my final peace An offering of me to you Complete, no hidden fees I'm ready for my medicine The drug between your knees I've tasted independence Allowed myself to be A man yearns for reflection To grow beyond his years No longer chasing specters Prepared to make the deal

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Let my mind be cancer free On a diet filled with greens High on doing what you love No excuses, just hard work Power through the pounding struggle It all comes with time and hustle But remember to stay true To the you, you knew To foster through To fight the weakness Not the world Grow to be a tad more bold Step by step, no looking back Pull, don't push Learn to attract Detach attachment Attach to that which fuels your wings Fly when required Rest when spent and grow your dreams Focus on moving Not where you've been Enjoy each moment And in the end, you'll win

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A coincidence, seeming uneventful and of the norm can spiral in the wheels of fate to turn and turn

A heart beat that once longed for love and courage gave rise to flames that scour and engulf the world

A string that's plucked will ring until a hand that moved it mutes it if it wills, yet

It is the hand that sent it into motion

The hand of love and nurture

Everything a song could be, you made

It gets sent flying from your lips,

But once it left, it find life of its own

Inside the hearts and minds of all who listens

Each step you take
A trap, awaits
You fear, you play their games
In time you question who's to blame
And step away, but love remains
A staircase lets you grow, escape
Beyond the grabby hands of apes
It's Fate

It's Fate
That not tomorrow, but today
You chose to stop, to elevate
Atop you sit and gander down
What pleasure do you get, this crown
Uneven, thorny, even drab
The Earth, she calls to you, "please come back"
It's here, you start to turn a leaf
You learned, you taught and now

You walk around past grief, past anger You shine true love that's free to strangers Connection strengthens from your balance And life does deepen into silence

You live

Only the slave needs permission To act upon his whims The free man acts on his wishes The free man lives life to win With hopeless eyes you ask for mercy Please may I have some more Can't I be happy, why won't you listen I am a human after all? Take what you wanted Go forth, don't fret The obstacles might make you quiver It's worth it, I'll put my life upon that bet You see, with every step that you get further From fragile bubbles in our mind We build a fortress in the aether One that invites the crowds and finds That when that voyage ceased to challenge You come back home to rest, reflect You'll taste the freedom, and strength emerges To push the boundaries one more time Each and every single time

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A pen in hand Like swords defend A mind sincere and kind Nothing can stop Determined hearts Whose destiny aligned Distractions are aplenty Impossible to start Decisions racing through his mind Try not to fall apart Electrifying lands of purity and light It's time and space That warp your gaze The mind is still divine Signs all around You mustn't fear Your only task to lead The truth will surely set you free It's easy to believe There's nobody just like you Although we are but one The man you were tomorrow Is the woman you've become A pen in hand Like swords defend A mind sincere and kind Nothing can stop Determined hearts Whose destiny aligned Our only power focus Perceive and be perceived Your hardships made you stronger Your choices were the steed

The world is yours for the taking But first you must gather your tools It's of no one else's interest but yours Jump in the boat and drop the oars We're all just overworking fools Just follow the stream Stop resisting Become supreme Each opportunity given Step out and learn something new There is no use in believing the world is out to get you We want the best for all your future ventures We want to see success inside your eyes We want to lead the horse straight to the water All we want from you is take advice Believe that we have seen it all Believed the lies we've all been told Believed and bled through wounds of thorns We bled and cried Our heart and mind conflicted We fought ourselves And everyone afflicted We've spent the night With bloodshot sleepless eyes Wishing to give and lead a better life Clean up our act Be precious with our goals Outlast the fight Collect the hidden gold Our lives are full of hardships Of choices to be chosen Our obstacles require growth An easy life is not worth living It's the pursuit that we're pursuing The ending, something to be loathed Persistence carries on And with it, the flame to go on To fight and move along Hard lessons to be harder Decisions more in weight

The changes you'll be praying for The gaining of one's strength

I tried, oh I tried
To keep you from your darkness
I tried, oh I tried
To teach you to be clean
I tried, oh I tried
You paid me back in heartache
I tried, yea I tried
Got buried in your trash

I know you're not to blame
Your actions were my virtue
I tried to keep you tamed
But you burned hot nonetheless
Buried in this mess
I led myself astray
I know we can't be saved
I tried my very best
But hope it seems so far away

Couldn't see your face
Couldn't see you effort
Couldn't see your grace
Couldn't see at all
Never learned to love you
But lust ran through our blood
Just wanted to posses you
Locked up inside my heart
Should've know this from the start
Beginning held our truth
But the words you said were moot
They were foreign abstract art
But you gave meaning to our youth

And as we lay in bed
Staring face to face
So gently pet my head
You wet your lips and say
Mon petit lapin
Vous avez chuchote dans mon Oreille
Ne t'inquiete pas
Apres moi, tu seras entire

What does it mean to be a man
It's the question of all ages
Always written on lose pages
Washed away like words on sand
No one left to comprehend
Kept it secret from our youth
Lead with flaws and failed to prove
That a man must weather all
To accept the battles call
And stand toe to toe with Zeus

You'll be tested left and right
Is it in you, what it takes?
Knowing life gives us no brakes
Waking up each coming night
Anticipating one more fight
Never getting time to breath
Punches thrown, you duck and weave
Battles may be won or lost
Just remember that you must
Never fear where your heart leads

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Echoes resonate in silence Seniors sit and question why Opportunity must linger Work confused and then we die Not I

Not anymore

Shattered expectations on the floor Find myself in the exact same spot

That once tortured me

Embarrassed me

Poked and prodded

Tore apart the

Core of wonder

Hearts kept bleeding on the floor

Yet, I pondered

Broken but managed to grow

I see ghost sit by my side

Once so evil I surmised

But as I sit here

Each string vibrates waves of love Happiness I could have only dreamt of

Possibilities and friends

That could not have even been

Lest I sat inside the mud that arrested me from hugs, got me hooked, drugged up, locked up, insecure, emotional, fucked up

I keep thinking all about it
But enclosed within a smile
With a light that I can't hide
Tried to drown me, I've got gills
Tear rolls down my face so happy
Rolling down with no disgrace
Pulling with it only pride
There's no options in that time
Give a moment and a lesson
Learned to thrive inside my mind

Lion's den would have you thinking I was prey but time hasn't room for any lies I'll assure you I'm the master of this cage I will not die so easily this time

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The love that binds us starts within the fractal of our heart that longed for sweetness instead it found the bitterness

And so the reaching will begin for someone new, for someone beautiful and lean to come and enter unannounced to fly right in and save you from

yourself No luck

You dig and search and throw in hooks Pullin' up rocks and mossy boots You keep on bleeding on your clothes

And wonder
How much more
Will I suffer?

But suffering will ever last
As long as we're running from the past
The shadow of our own disguise
Will chew you whole and swallow you alive
Don't run, don't hide, don't even blink
Look dead into its eyes and sing your song
Reach deep and snare

Only acknowledgement will dissipate the fear
Only the moment when you grow a pair will you be free from earthly hells
Sit down and look

Inspect the corners of your eyes

Your nose

Your hips your thighs

And realize you've had enough

Of endless battles and bad luck

You're worth it, all eternal bliss

Locked deep inside

The key? A kiss

From one and only, your true love

Not him or her, or them or us

It's you

It's always been

It'll always be

Accept responsibly and move

One step

Two steps

A leap or two

The time will pass and you will see Both fast and slow

A light will start to shine in me

-Competition has no place Keep on moving at your own pace None of us are in a race We're all trying to embrace Who we are down deep inside Don't be fooled by wealth and gold You're no richer of the soul Lift your mindset, think in whole Quit your whining, walk the goal Don't get misled by your pride Cus all we've got to fear Is the thoughts inside our heads Don't worry baby dear You will find your outlet The secret that you're missing Is to love all you do No wonder every moment we're on bliss So come on though So many make excuses Might as well be tying nooses All you'll ever do is lose it Hear your demons just amuse them They will take you for a ride Insecurities will surface Hidden pains will e unearthed You will finally wake the horses Driving you to grand resources And experience true life Cus all we've got to fear Is the thoughts inside our heads Don't worry baby dear You will find your outlet The secret that you're missing Is to love all you do No wonder every moment we're on bliss So come on though You couldn't pay enough So don't even try The party going on Is my happiness inside Don't do it for the fortune Don't do it for the fame

Can't stand to live in silence My heart was born to sing

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While the veil thins between the dream and the voices seem to peer behind the curtain

I wonder

What's the reason of my treason
Why chase down the thunder

What's the purpose of my meddling

Maybe I should only saunter

Walk because the walk itself is something that has brought me pleasure Nap when eyes drag low and the ceiling fan sings my melody in whispers

Why fight it Why deny it

There's a lesson buried deep
Only problem our perception
Close your eyes and go to sleep
Wake with brand new eyes that gleam
See the world in its perfection

Follow suit and you'll be free
To your final destination

First rung
One step
That's all it takes

Don't worry 'bout the endless climb or your mistakes

For if you want to be up high then you decide to place some stakes

Above the sky to fly all night and soar though space

To feel the freedom, feel alive, to be untamed

You must move up, no matter what, live, give and take

Moving along Momentum kept Increased your pace

You're making leaps could do it blind, it's not a race Your confidence unmatched, no tie, you have such grace Your war cry, freeze all your foes midstride and get erased No one can match your undivided light, bright summer days You'll reach the top, just do not stop, avoiding haste

You're having fun A chance, you leapt And missed your place

You slipped and fell, you stopped your grind, egg on your face I found you on the ground, just laying, full of disgrace You wonder why, your God, divine, your heart of aces Would make a fool of you, and cry, you fade away I'm here to ask you, why my child

You've felt betrayed and lied to What's easy's never worth your time Just get back up and you'll be fine The strength you seek is forged through fire

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The world is starving for art
Yet, I can overindulge
Do you
From the bottom of your heart
Leave all the thoughts behind
It's better to be a starving artist
Than to let your soul get rotten
Dropped in, locked up, faded past all recognition
All you need's a little color to bring back your intuition
Step by step

Step by step
We crawl and crawl
Give us time
We'll show you all

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It's easy to get blinded by the beauty of this world
Better learn to walk the streets with nothing but the sense of a woman's
intuitions

Lead the way past where the eyes far gone astray
Not to mention all extensions that led down our human brain
But with practice through molasses every move will bring you grace
And in no time but the present will you join this human race

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Don't get it twisted

'Cus it's true

You'll get lost

Trying to find it

See logic has this funny way

To make you out in but one way
In but one matter of your sight

And you'll get locked, no key attached
But if you choose to throw it out

Please, not for good

Just for time being

And let the lub-dub take the steering

You'll find your hazy mind clearing

There's but one path that gets you there

To win To live To feel To dare

You'll see it start to piece along With that true peace You'll find the one

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Told you I would love you more than any other man Told you I'd accept you and agreed to hold your hand Told you, you were beautiful more so each time we met Told you I can't be with you and now I feel regret Heard your cry for love, it whistled through my heart Gave my word to take it slow, Then, I just fucked up There was magic twinkling in your eyes

Hope behind your smile
Star, in human form, disguised
Your purity of heart inspired
But one thing I know
You weren't my girl
You showed me direction
And broadened my world
Inspired great change
Deterred from great pain
It was your loves intention
It was I who's been saved

A blade of gold
The discipline of souls
Waiver oh but once
Old sharp becomes new dull
And all together
We know that fortune
Favors the bold
And leaves out in the cold
The dreamer and the dunce
Whose lack of action do not mold

The prophecy's been told
All entrance tickets have been sold
The spectacle of everyday
Bewilder all who watch the road
The grimmest of your moments
Combusts your body whole
The ashes of your yesterdays
Unfold, the soldier paved with gold

The phoenix of the water
Will shed its fiery tears
No longer will it hold the weight
Of unforgotten fears

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Won't you open up your eyes
All you need to fly is to open up your wings
No one is trying to hide any miracles behind the scenes
It all starts with what you allow yourself to see

You can focus far and wide

Focus on being alive

On a caterpillar crawling, slowly, on a leaf to find its place to rest to change

You can focus near or far

That will show you who you are

Every day the things repeat

Just to tell you in your sleep

How your mind look past the magic that has steeped

And steeped and steeped

I can see your deepest wish

And its granted, just like that

But the only way you'll find is by taking off your blindfold

Breath a minute

Find your center

Build a road just for yourself

Stop on over by the seaside

Take a nap, you've earned your rest

Know that in the moments after

You will stumble on a chest

Open up and look inside it

Everything that you've desired

Sitting, waiting, in one place

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Every sound Every thought Shake the ground Shapes the Earth Just imagine All this strength In the vessel Of one man What to do And what to fix Are there problems in the least? Leave it be Hear me say Save it for another day As for now Don't you fret Try to gain experience

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Glowing sun

Asked me once again if I'm alright

Falling down

Leaving trail of bread crumbs on the ground

Follow me

Every step will hurt but you'll be free

At the end you'll see

Every treasure

Every dream

Every lover you've conceived

Every Ruby

Every suitcase

Every road that called your name

All of it passed down to you

Mhmm

Just to show you that the truth

Mhmm

Maybe painful at the start

But believe

Inside dark is where you find the art of living

Let the sun go where it may

Unavailable and grey

Rain drops faster every day

But I remain

But you remain

We all remain

A little different

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Spark, ignition, air, destruction In denial, no instruction Huffing fumes, corrupted lungs Let it burn, it's not your problem Burning down of nature Pollution of the sea One thing can save the balance It's up to you and me The deity of nature Is dying from her skin Corrupted deep into her lungs She's crying from within Malignancy runs rampant Her future looking bleak Billions observing She hears a final screech

With death and deception seen in every direction you must chose what is done onto you

To turn a blind eye and to suffer inside or to stand up and fight for the truth

One soul denies the fallacy
One soul does not accept
One soul ignited by the truth
Responsibility in hand

To have the balls to have a heart to stand behind the truth No matter the popular belief, you have the right to chose

> To bite the hand that feeds you Burn all the bridges too To turn your back on everything And build the world anew To turn your back on everything

And build the world anew

With death and deception seen in every direction you must chose what is done onto you

To turn a blind eye and to suffer inside or to stand up and fight for the truth

The seed will sprout Just give it time Regard its growth With just one eye As spring gets closer So will I Be found in darkness Prepared to fly The sound inside my head will bring Each piece I've come across in time And one by one to reassess Beliefs I've clenched to oh so tight Each one has brought me its affaires With piercing gaze it moved me through No jokes or laughter, sitting here It's time to go It's time to grow Time to Go back and start again, anew

Go back and start again, anew
Tabula rasa left to move
Away from grip that holds too tightly
From colors that restrict my sight
Back to a place of utter freedom
A place not housed in space or time
Short legless travel up the bean stalk
And lie there still, no fear of dying

In moments that no longer stack
Just pulled to length of endless stature
Feel heaven underneath my hat
And dance my dance in total rapture

I think I'm ready to evole

\*Click click click\*

There is no place like home

I drop down to my knees No longer feeling pain The world around me fades to black My thoughts, I can't refrain From wondering how I found me here From thinking what went wrong Suspecting foul play at hand And then a silent cheer Can't see where from The cheer had come It must be in my head I see a little kid run towards me Returning me from dead He said it's you or me We both can't be alive The happy little, jovial kid Had managed to survive With my last breath I cursed his name Escaping from that body A boy who's now been weathered By battle, pain and money

To find a happy ever after With one deep breath and high pitch hum I was finally free of the monster I had become

Returns back home to start a new With light with joy and laughter Awaken from a living nightmare

# **SHADOWS**

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Every scar you see upon me
Once was festered and inflamed
Blamed my enemies
Curse their names
Hate was flowing through my veins
Pulsing
Rushing
It engraved

Every action with a ink stains
A taste of plain old bitterness would sink
Disdain deeper, stop to think

Don't worry mama

The grim reaper never comes for those that kick the sand in faces of the kids that lost their hope, cry and moan while I

Smoke and drink my pain away There was nothing more to say but

Stay away

I'll bleed on you until the day
The wounds that gaped received my eye

My care, my tenderness

Dissolve the blame game for a time

That never comes again What's done is done

You can't turn

Back

You have power in the now

To heal your wounds and cease the reckless carnage that would end your spirit's path

Return to sadness and allowing self to feel and mourn the loss of the innocence and roam about the graveyard seeing all the monsters that have

once belonged

To this body

To this heart

And decide that it must stop

We are human after all

Folly follows us along

But are capable of heights

Unencumbered by the sky

Flying straight through darkest night

You and I

We have the strength

To illuminate the death and pain and start to create again

Once more using what we have

Hold it dear inside your arms

Love it, cherish it

Even if it's not perfect

Especially if it's not perfect

'Cus the one thing that's been missing

From its essence that's been keeping it from endless grace

Your soft heart

Is your firm presence

Your compassion and your ear

Listen

To your aches

Your fears

Shed a mask, put on a tear

This is powerful I promise

Try it out if you so dare

Unbecoming feels like dancing with the Devil down in Hell

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Had these demons plague my dreams Why I asked? They wouldn't answer

Poked and prodded

Wouldn't let me sleep

It was easy to respond in violence But they wore familiar masks

They wore faces of my loved ones

Yet I still could not excuse their behaviors in that moment

Wretched beast I tell you leave

But it won't, it just keeps going

Running doesn't help one bit

They just chase and grow in numbers

I just want some peace and quiet

But I run, try to survive

Finding solace in my mother

For one moment, someone hears my cries

But, it doesn't last

With a vacuum, half asleep,

I traverse the country side

In my grandpas truck who's driver tries

To lock my seatbelt tighter, tighter

Trapping me but I'm too clever

After decent conversation 'bout the family at home

I escape the demons clutches

Jumping out of his window

Only to be found amongst cave of black and pointy hands, quick a fruit stand on my right, maybe citrus can defend me

And it did

For they were angels

They brought peace back to my soul

Demons ran and hid in panic

'Cus now I had chose to chase

Throwing juices that would hurt them

Til I found that even this

Was no better than the latter

Only way to find true peace

Is forgiveness of the matter

With it

I could sleep,

Side by side with angels, demons I could love them both the same

Never ask either to change

Know their nature
Dissipate the blame
Don't get caught inside the chasing
Just make sure your heart is pure
Move with grace in all directions
All's forgiven
All is whole

\*Knock\*

Though the veil may be thin

\*Knock\*

And our eyes are filled with sin \*Knock\*

Each adjacent plane affects us \*Knock\*

Glares upon us from within \*Knock\*

We can still find ways to cope \*Knock\*

By exploring past our scope \*Knock\*

By distracting every thought \*Knock\*

With the echoes of our heart \*Knock\*

And we'll find our way back home \*Knock\*

By this one distinctive tone \*Knock\*

Clear the chatter all around And in time You will be found

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Smell of gasoline has followed me for weeks Was it something bout the drive to be Somewhere else but here Not a pleasant smell or texture Robs the brain cells of its structure Yet I sit and ponder deeply Why this smell and Why me Sulfur comes around and slaps me Demons must have come to play No idea where they're getting All these tortured souls to pray on Weak and feeble Giving handouts of their flesh I don't blame them It's their nature Only we can stop the pain

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Must have pissed somebody off I can smell the smoke from cauldrons Witches brewing Gases fuming Heads been booming Yet another headache comes Sunspots could have been the culprit Knock the grid down on its face Every piece of electronics Melted Shattered Begged for mercy Laughter filled the cabin air No such thing for you my dear Suffer, squirm and understand It's the beginning of the end

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The mind has long forgotten Its attachment to this brain And it went along the trail To locate the things it can't attain The abstract emotions linger Long past feelings overdue Ears are perked with numbing silence Catching whispers floating through In between the land of living And the land where spirits roam I will find myself believing Oneness, unity untold With it, nothing else can hold up Flames that flicker, bleeding light Within, sunshine won't be missed All I need I've got inside All I want I've got inside

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On the cusp of all and none Grasped by fear, can't turn and run To run

You can stand, one foot over the edge Just waiting for a gentle breeze What's physical was left behind The pain of torture underlined

A whole was ripped in one blind eye

To let the darkness fill the sky with stars of light and selfless plight

Inside your sorrows
Tomorrow lends a helping hand
Ill borrow moments to pretend
The horse I led through every bend

Lays flat

Gunned down By my two hands

The love you feel is all too real She's waiting on the other side You close your eyes and fall right in

The time is here
The place is now
So come on in

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Salt crystals floating in the air
Fresh salmon swaying through the wind
The sun beams down between my fingertips
This moment I will always keep
Tremendous thunder rolling down the hills
My heartquake match the shaky ground below
Black crows get swallowed by the darker skyline
Engulfed by fear I've never felt before

Run
Can't stop go turn around
Run
It's do or die
Run
Shake off the charcoaled flesh
Run
Run, run for your life

Young diamonds permeate my lungs I pray to Venus, keep my mind afloat Emotions flood my body and I realize The rescued team has lowered down its rope

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Allured by sweet aroma captured
The butterfly within your heart
Promises of love longed after
Made you a puppet from the start
Each hook impales the flesh with pleasure
A form of ecstasy untamed
Every wound, it leaks, an essence you once sheltered
With time, your soul, grows weak and maimed
And if you stay
Prepare to lose in every god forsaken way
Yet only the pain
Will teach you love, for self, again.

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See the colors in my words When I say I came alone Came to finally shake off all the cobwebs that have grown On these bones since winter started On this heart since you've departed Yet I hold you close and dear Near my heart, along the pier Sitting silently beside me Gazing past our heartache's hold Hold your hand as you remind me That true love was never told To be pretty or exciting To be honest or complete To be faithful, even solid Just to make you feel some thing Just to make you breathe again Just to make you bleed again Just to make you cringe and crumble Cry and carry all your weight Just to make you call at night to say I love you Just to open up and sing Just a simple look of pity that has left a hole inside Just the willingness to bury all the past, Beside tonight I felt your familiar essence I could spot you from afar Good to feel that playful laughter One I helped to disembark Though I said it through and through All I wanted was to help Time reveled to me the truth I just never listened Never gave you time of day Never let you lead the way Always masked behind my vision Of my anima in you Never gave you chance to flutter Chance to hold it on your own But I'm happy to discover That you've made it all your own

You're on the road No getting off it It's dark all to your left and right You keep on moving 'Cus rest wasn't a thing you're taught No time for stopping We're running late We're quick to get to our own graves The headlights beaming White lines deceiving You pass a deer in your rear mirror It's eye gleam bright from license plates As if your future gets reflected Upon the eye balls of this beast As if its nature redirected The road you choose to take tomorrow Its gentle strut and peaceful manner Begin to crawl inside your guts You sense a change turning inside you Attuned with intuitions breath and thoughts If you would listen All would be different You'd find yourself traversing gaps But more than likely You'll shake it off And hit deer Bambi with your car

Taking hits
From every side
Must have been the storm that's brewing
From the windows, to the drive

To the voice that lingers, soothing
Closed my eyes and dropped to mono
All the melodies that rang
Nothing short of talking now

Nothing short of talking now Couldn't muster up the strength

'Cus this wall endured enough,
no more handouts,
box it up
And the pump had given out
So much for the ins and outs
Maybe it's because I gave too much
Maybe it had lowered my defenses
Maybe someone had a crush
And crushed all my pipes of fine-tuned tension

Electricity stopped flowing
Gas decided to dry up
But the pressure kept on growing and destroyed all that I had
Like an empty husk it sits there
Wailing, waiting, whispering
What would wasteful wrinkles wonder
While we watered
Our delusions
Let them grow and let them foster
Whip out vines from every side
Slash your tires, growing brighter
It's just fear you let reside
It's a blessing what I've witnessed
Words can't rearrange or bind
No more shackles, no more burdens

Once I start, you cannot hide

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Slow and steady wins the race
Yet the light that's in my face
Blinds the fear that found its way
To each crevice of disgrace
Lord please help before it's late
But my hope and faith have dwindled
Swindled by the gore and plight
Not the monsters that roam freely

But the ones they got inside Holy shit

You're just a baby

How'd you end up so disfigured

I'm not qualified to say

But your actions and your words are projections of your soul and the image that I see

Doesn't please me, not at all

Yet you run up to the scene, scream profanity and think all you have to offer stands in the holiest of lands

Check yourself

So many fools

You all think you know it all

Toxic, cocky, insecure

Trembling within those shoes

From that wretched place you lead

It's disgusting what you bring to the table

Please go home

Sit in silence

Ponder long

And then maybe you'll accept

You're and idiot and then

Only then

Will the world start to unravel

And you'll see your actions grovel

For forgiveness

For a tear

For redemption

For the honor

To be here

Let's not shy away from mirrors 'Cus you fear to see your face

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Each word that slithers down your tongue
Glides past your teeth into their ears
It strikes the anvil, on it goes
To change the structure of
The flow of consciousness it touches
The river slows but never stops
The burst of colors that ignite

The forests Freckles

And our hearts

These words may carry feeble meanings
But with them shape our world anew
Inspired action led the worthy

Inspired action led the worthy
To take the throne

To cast the stone
To be the first to roam in heaven
No room for cowards, only strength

They die a million times too many

But us

Not even once
You can't deny that all your weapons
Have made you weak down to your core
We have our voice, that's all we need
Prepare for battle, this means war

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I'm done convincing, holding hands My heart can't take your arrogance You think I'll feed you 'til you die You think you'll drain me thin and dry I couldn't care for you to whither But it's your choice, nor do nor try Without your wishes, who'll deliver Your life, will surely be a tie Can't lose, can't win Just float in numb indifference Be carried by the wind Can't say or do A thing for one own self Can't run away Can't stand or fight You're powerless inside your mind And if you chose to remain stagnant Your will of power will not magnet Attraction only works one way The things you want will float away The things that haunt Forever stay And then you wonder how and why Nobody cared, no body tried But we were with you through and through For every choice you chose to do For every pitfall and mistake We tried to help you, motivate But all you wanted was to fail 'Cus it was easier to bail But now you sit before your God Just want forgiveness, released from thought

With pain and suffering to spare Wondering

If life is worth living
I hope right there and then you find that missing piece
And hear us, see us, screaming please
But I have seen this dance before
And sadly, you will experience more
'Cus death is easier than sleep
You drift away and stay for keeps
What no one told you is that life

Will be the hardest battle of your life Only the mighty can survive The rest will perish so pick your side

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The pain is blinding Can't catch a breath Just want to sleep And leave this mess Each time I do I get but just a taste of sweet relief No sooner still, my eyes unshut The pain flows through them To cripple me once more Fillet me open, and let my innards flow Take out my spine, rid me of my blood There's nothing that can ease it There is no hope nor trying Each time I think of moving I find myself paralyzed I know with time This too shall pass And I will feel myself But times slow slither Is agony at best Each second, tic Each minute, toc A mallet driving nails inside my head As if it's trying to unlock A hidden message in my psyche But oh the pain is just too sharp

I can't help but crave an end

Hair is rustling past my vision
From the gossip of quiet trees
Lilly pads grab my attention
And the changing of the leaves
Hopping to the sounds of crickets
Chirping snare drums heard at last
Leave me here 'til I expire
Let me take my final breath

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Ballerina sits pretty in pink
Regina's specter beautiful and wise
Inside her eyes reflects a vial of black ink
Decides her last words before she says goodbye

So young, she claims so bold
About each lie she's yet been told
I'm done, she screams, the menace of this chapter
Denies past tense, but dreams of the forever after

The wonders of this world are fleeting Each day brings that which is worth deleting Hoorays have past the worst is yet to come Hand full of pills, make peace with your mom

Eternal slumber, snoring Snorlax never moves It's easy to let go, relax, there's nothing left to lose Nocturnal wailing gets soothed by numbing blows Just please her senses raw, releasing all her woes

Her thoughts at altitude of airplanes
She fights, can't ground her with your truth
Subconscious actions run away like freight trains
Last things she hears before she fades away
Samson

Dark clouds

They saturate the sky You stand and pray for rain

But nothing comes and you remain the same

A single drop will do

To wash away the pain

For reasons unbeknownst to you

The weatherman was wrong today

And with each sunrise, your hope remains so high

The sky remains the limit

You wish to soar and glide

But these dark clouds

They block your visions through and through

Can't see if what you're doing

Holy

Or putrid

Have no clue

I know it never lasts

Time makes fools of all

But God, it feels so heavy

Each time I try to run, I barely crawl

Momentum's all that matters

Which way am I to go

Don't want to slide into a ditch

Don't want to fall flat on my face once more

The endless search, of a soul, awakened from deep slumber The hollow stare, a torch, in tears, a pointless walk in rainless thunder

A missing piece, it's felt across the whole

But what it is, not you, not I, can ever know

Stumble, step by step, you roam as if dead

Man walking, skip the talking, mumble, groan

A leap from deathly throne to throne

The exit sign shines brightly red

We still have ways to go before we rest

In bed, we wish to stay for good

This mood, it's easy to forget, to lose my appetite

For food, for anything sustaining

Just thoughts of brain, of heart

Of filling holes that have no start

No end, no edges, blackness, hunger

Only the journey will remain

All else consumed by naked flames

No use for us, no weight, no gain
From which, on this day, perhaps the future or the past
To will reclaim, the piece that you have lost
And once again, you'll roam the planet free
From any worry, bestowed with glee
Departing clouds and dry the rain
Of people desperate, charred and pained
There's always hope, no matter weak
Just take your time, just try, even if you need to
Cry yourself to sleep

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Heart open from the start Our eyes they met at dusk My lonely days are gone A memory from the past You offer me your hand I take it soft and gentle With time my grip turns solid You quickly turn resentful I try to offer love And keep you close to me But it becomes apparent that You are no longer free A flower that's been picked A bird, locked in its cage I try to wrap my mind around Your new malicious ways You leave me broken hearted I try to call, you don't This finishes the story Of the boy who loved too strong

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I have found there's but one way to allow the world to change Step aside and close your eyes, stop observing for a while

Speak your peace and make it so

But you have to let it go

No sense staring at a wall

Time will pass and hope will grow

Maybe it's the cowards way but I see no way to change the heart of every man, woman, child or alien to think deeper for themselves and release their grasp of all their sins

Action they chose every day to go up against their fate, their best nature,

their own God, because why?

Because they hurt?

'Cus your president said so?

Still can't hear you, 'cus you're mad at you mommy and you dad? 'Cus you drink your life away, feel a bruise, forget the day you received it

and move on

Call it crazy

Stick to your guns

Know that no-one will or wants to caress your dirty wounds

They've done the work

They've put to bed

Their own demons, now their friends

So all it is, a waiting game

We let go of yesterday

Have no future in our brain

Double down on here, today

If we die, then let it be

It was written in the stars

But at least we lived with heart

I will not participate

In your game, let's call you winner

I'll be making a new game

Yes it true the old one sucks

No I won't invite you neither

Have fun yelling at these rocks

No one wants to feel your anger

If you change, then we can talk

When you grow, then we can talk

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The monsters that you fear so much The ones that you wouldn't dare to touch They're free of all that you posses Free of the torture in your head Free, to act or do or will To choose their destiny and thrills To be among their family, Their kind will always thrive to be Accepting where each draws their line No need to push or pull each other They see that freedom isn't bothered By peoples feeble tries to slaughter The ones around for their own gain 'Cus they have yet to see real pain The pain that makes a man stand taller The boy gets killed, emerges stronger They know that one day it will come Just shake their heads and let them run You try but all your efforts fall Allow authorities to come And hit them over with their guns Perhaps it's now they'll understand You hope but guarantees are dead Avoid it and move with your life You made your mark You did your part Now rest with ease Relax, relinquish, and restart

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Whisper, whisper, in the night You may want to stand and fight But you lost before you entered All that waits is your demise Tears are falling Children crying

Grown men calling on the phone
"Mama save me, please don't leave me in this hellhole all alone"
We, the pines stand tall and silent

Waiting
Plotting
Your next fall
Don't come back lest you desire
To feel pain of tortured souls

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Quiet giants standing tall above the public seeing all there is to see No more falling for the first approaching woman, child or man that comes across their path to wake

Or break their inhibitions there's a plan behind their actions Let the feeble move unnoticed so the strong may have their day

It's not too late
I have realized that of late
Time takes pleasure in the wait
Even if we like to squirm
Balance brought this life from dreaming
Falling down no longer hurts
Float on over
Wings of passion
Try to hold on
While we shift

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Thoughts of little minds to show off ignorance
And bark your insecurities, I smell your impotence
A little boy just running scared
From every monster living underneath your bed
Perhaps there'll be a place someone has structured
With castle walls and guards on duty
Truly, a place that feels like home, you keep on pushing, on your own
But you break in and get kicked out
No one desires you around
They chase you out each time you're seen
The cops get called, arrest the fiend

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The question enters once again So why can I not find a reason to remain This moment seems to think itself as vain

You try and try and try again
But to what means

What can you change

This world will fight you tooth and nail

To stay the same

They all have the answers in their brain
They know it all and you're just a waste of space to them
You want to help and give them something past their reach

But in their face are looks of pride, contempt,
They don't need you, you don't need them
Can you feel the pain rush through your veins?
Your heart bleeds blue, you gave them all your air

But do they want it anyway?

I heard that any fool can learn from ones mistakes

A sign of wisdom is to learn from others

So what's your place In presence of this day

Where people spit in each other's face

Can't tie their shoes but speak of moving mountains like it's what they do
They don't need you

They need to feel the bite that only failure of life can slip inside their food A drop of poison in the soup that they've been stirring in themselves

Only tasting the bitter sweet defeat

Got kicked around, lost a few teeth will they look up and see the truth

But will it be late?
It's not for you
To worry

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Only fear what you don't know
From a distance
Strong resistance
To connections that we hold
There is more to you and me
More to love

More to love

More to reprieve

Nothing but the space around us

Fill it up with what you please

Leave the judgments past your grasp

All they crave to do is hinder

Your experience to fullness

Warmth and love in middle winter

A modality of totality in reality we lead

Grows too certainly, emotionally, engrossing our need to see

Adjust your focus little tighter

Pull your face a little closer

Analyze and learn to know that which harnesses beliefs

Realize that in this seed

An epiphany, a leap

To a world unlike your own

One that yearns to understand

Gives compassion, lends a hand Love passed freely and you see

There was nothing here

To fear

Just a terrible reflection

In dark waters of black seas

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Without the darkness
The light would hold no meaning
The pain that we are feeling has a place inside out heart
Heavy feet

Shuffle onward with a glooming sense of failure Wouldn't it be great if we just let it fall apart Springs are loose

Springs are loose
The screws are missing

Nut I tried was way too small

What's the point of my own screaming

When your audience is earless

Closed my eyes to find a shelter

Melt inside the dark abyss

Loss of boundaries gave me something to hold near All for one and one for all felt like just another phrase 'til you find yourself

alone breaking pieces off yourself

Well just break then into silence

Shatter it into mere dust

Let me float off to the distance

Getting lost

'Til I can find a mold that suits me 'Til I can see above the stars 'Til I can live among the darkness

Holding hands with those I love

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Sick and tired of these words just making sounds and not much more, it's action that can change it all so take a pause and put the words away for now and see what really comes to grow out of the silence and the boil of the frustration of being somewhere where you feel like you do not belong "So long, farewell, auf Wiedersehen, goodbye I leave and heave a sigh and say goodbye"

# ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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Andrey Psychè, also know as Andrey Pavlenko was born in Magnitogorsk Russia in 1991. His family migrated over to the United States in 2002 which allowed Pavlenko to experience an whole new world, new perspective, and gain opportunities that would otherwise be hidden from his life. Initially, Pavlenko set off to explore the scientific world, placing his trajectory toward becoming an MD, but after completing his prerequisites, earning a B.S in Biology from the University of Washington and working with a doctor for over a year, he declined his offers to attend Medical School and found himself in the middle of a custom manufacturing business his mother owned and operated. By applying the same learning techniques he used in school, he quickly taught himself how to program and run CNC machinery which broke the seal on whatever was keeping his creative juices bottled up, allowing a brand new life to pour out, birthing

Andrey Psychè. Psychè began his work very modestly with small engravings. After a deciding he wanted to see what he could create without using fancy tool and solely rely on himself, he picked up a bucket of paint, started flinging pigment onto whatever would accept it, stumbling across creation which depended largely on the complete loss of control. This played hand in hand with Psychè's new lifestyle of mediation, health, and inner work which reflected itself to him in the abstract composition of his paintings. This led him to translate his first painting into his first book,

"Expedition of the Psyche" revolved around ideas of philosophy, psychology, and self improvement. He continued to evolve his visual art, always striving to expand upon what he has already achieved. He learned that you can reuse the same art for inspiration, to dive deeper and expand on what is already present. He learn how to become his own muse and later went on to stumble upon music. He learned guitar and began putting his

new means of expression to use by writing his own songs. He still credits his rapid growth in music and songwriting to his understanding of the abstract principles that his paintings taught him. "Art is art, whether it's paint or music, they share the same fundamental processing that allow the artist to interchange the same techniques between disciplines, which at the same time reflect life itself."

Psychè now spends his days teaching in various schools, passing on his knowledge of art and his understanding of his own life onto the youths of tomorrow, hoping to influence in any way the next generation to keep certain qualities of thought in their mind. He says there is nothing more creative in this world than sculpting the mind of future generations, and if we are to evolve as a society, the answer is and always will be in education.

Through art, we can learn much about the artist. Through the artists, we can learn much about ourselves. Though ourselves, we can learn much about the universe.