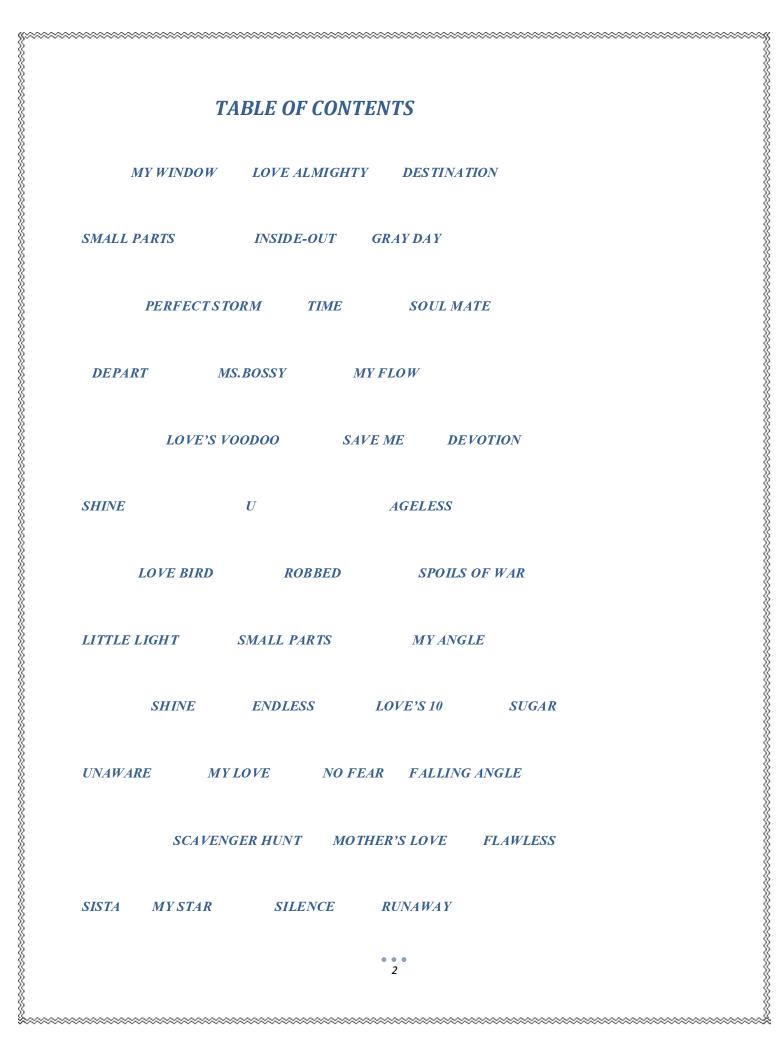
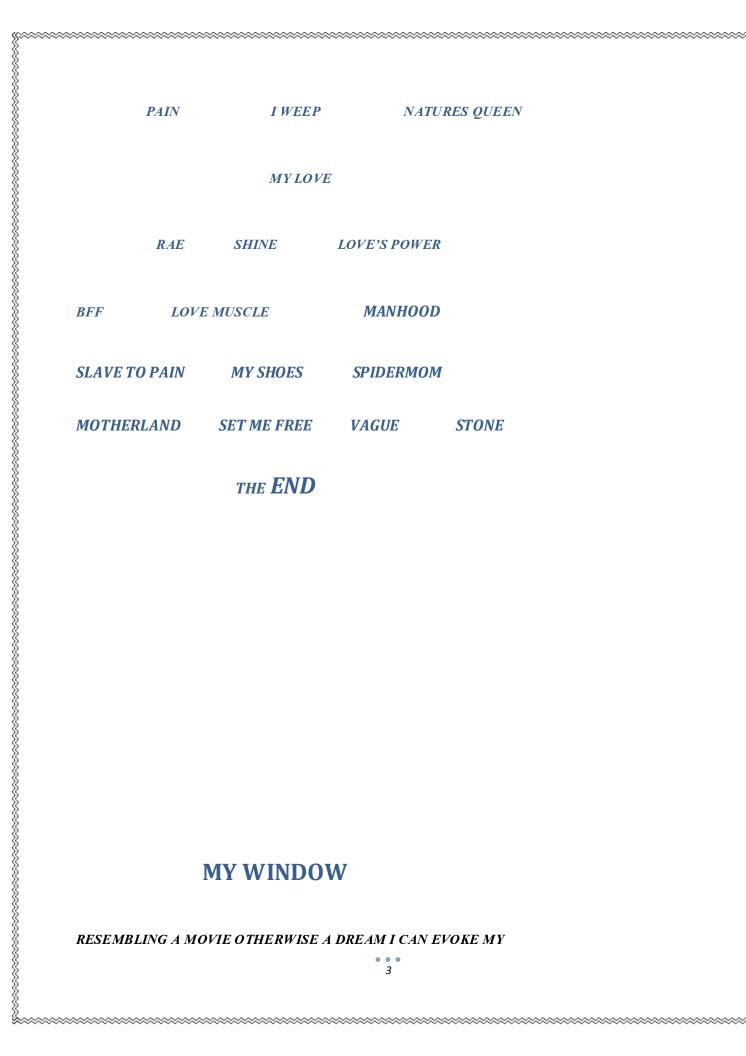
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CHILDHOOD AND EDGED IN THE BACK OF MY MIND

SCENES NO CHILD WOULD EVER IMAGINE

NOT BURSTING OF SANDCASTLES, PRINCESSES, OR DRAGONS

BUT CONSTENT QUARRELING PARENTS SUNG LIKE LULLIBIES

SHUTTING EYES TIGHTLY UNTIL SUNRISE

GOD GAVE ADAMS RIB TO EVE BUT DADDY WANTS IT

BACK

BROKEN, ABUSED, FAILED, USED NO GIFTS CAN

EXCHANGE THAT IN MY WORLD WHERE I AM QUEEN AND

WITHIN I REIGN SUPREME FOUTAINS OF LOVE OVERFLOW

WITH AFFECTION ALL INSIDE MY MIND COLLECTED

FEELING OF HURT SINGED IN MYSOUL HERE INSIDE

MY WINDOW

SMALL PARTS

BEEN DOWN ON MY LUCKA TIME OR TWO BEFORE

BELIEVED I COULD COUNT ON FAMILY FOR SURE

NEVER SPEAK BRUSH THE HAIR FROM MY FACE WIPE THE TEARS

FROM CHEEKS

HELD HIGH I LAID TOGETHER MY PLAN NOT MOM

OR DADS DREAM HAD TO CARVE MYOWN PATH I MARCHED

OVER MOUTAINS WENT FACE TO FACE WITH THE SHARKS

I BATTLED ALL ALONE FAMILY BROKEN IN

SMALL PARTS

SHINE

FELT EXTREME SADNESS TODAY HELLS FIRE IN MY MIND

NO ONE BEING COULD EVER FANCY

THE THINGS I HAVE SEEN WITH MY OWN EYES

PUSHED TO THE SIDE ALIKE ASH AND SOOT

CEASING TO EXIST SLAIN AT MY ROOT

POTENTIAL SO RADIANT THE MIGHTY SUN SPITES ME

HAD TO CHASE THE DARK CLOUDS OVERSHADOWING

FELT EXTREME SADNESS TODAY HELLS FIRE IN MY MIND

AND ALTHOUGH SLAYED AT MY ROOT I STILL

SHINE

DEVOTION

I GIVE YOU MY HEART AND SOUL FOREVER NOW TO HAVE

AN HOLD TO SEE US IN TIME HOW THE YEARS ROLL BY

PROMISING TO LOVE UNTIL THE END OF TIME

I GIVE THEE MY MIND ONLY THINKING OF YOU

OUR GLOW LIKE THE HEAVENS WE START

A NEW LIFE SEEMING EMPTY WITHOUT YOU IN MY ARMS

I GIVE YOU MY DEVOTION UNTIL WE ARE ONE WITH

THE STARS

FALLING ANGLE

FEARING MY INDEPENDENCE LACKED MOTIVTION

TO EVEN BREATH CRAWLING ON MY BELLY

EAGLE-EYED DIRT NO TOPS OF TREES MY COCOON

MADE READY THIS LIFE SOON SHALL ENDWHERE

I WILL RESURFACE A NEW AND CHANGED WOMAN IN

WHICH I RECEIVE MY WINGS OF GOLD

I WILL USE TO LEAVE MY IMPRINT ON THE WORLD

MY PERSONALITY POLLEN MY LAUGH THE MORNING

DEW FELL

I FELT MY FALL FROM GRACE WEARING THIN

WILL YOU RECOLLECT ME? OF THE HEAVEN I PROCLAIM

THE PAIN INDURED BRING FORTH PART OF THE

HUMAN RACE EXCEPT ME FOR ALL I AM

A FALLING ANGLE AN ANGLE THAT FELL

RAE

PREMONITIONS OF A JESTER MOON

I AM HOT STICKY SWEAT ROLLS DOWN

MY CARMEL THIGH MY SHEETS THEY STICK

INTANGLED IN MY CURVES

I TURN INCAPABLE OF SLEEP

MY MOUTH DRIZZLING WITH KISSES

MY NECK PRICKLES FROM MY AUBURN HAIR

THE AIR HAZY MY THROAT DRY I AM IN DESPRITE

NEED OF CARE

I AM A FLOWER MY PEDALS TO TANTALIZING FOR

THE BURN OF THE DOG DAYS SUN

A MOON RAE WRAPS MY BODY WITHIN

A SILK COCOON I AM WILTERING IT IS

A FOOL MOON

FLAWLESS

ASSOSIATE LOVE AND MONEY THE PRICE ONE

PAYS FOR THE REASON THAT LOVE DOES

COST POWERS RESPECT IS LEARNED AND EARNED

DEALS TO SAVE YOU'RE LIFE JUST BOUGHT YOU

ANOTHER NIGHT

ADMIRATIONS TO GET AHEAD APPEAR TO

TURN TO DUST BENETH MY FEET AT TIMES

BELIEF WEAK

I AM WOMAN BEING MOLDED OF MAN

MEN OF THE DUST MY PRICE PAID IN FULL BY THE

BLOOD I AM POLISHED UNTIL

FLAWLESS

MOTHER'S LOVE

I KNOW YOUR SMELL FROM ANYWHERE YOUR HAIR EVEN YOU'RE CHEEKS

WANTING SO MUCH TO BE NEAR YOU WOULD CLIMB THE HIGHEST PEAK

DID SOMETHINGS I WOULD NOT NORMALLY DO JUST TO

BE SHIELDED WITH YOUR LOVE

SOUGHT FOR AFFECTION IN THE VILEST OF

PLACES NEVER KNOWING WHERE I WOULD

END UP DID YOU CARE REALLY NEEDED

YOU THERE TO GIVE A SMILE OR A HUG

WANTING SO BAD TO SEAL THE PAST COMPETEING

FOR MOTHERS LOVE

LEFT BROKEN HEARTED I AWAITED THE DAY

YOU WOULD COME BACK FOR ME HERE STILL I WAIT

WITH OLD BIRTHDAY CAKE NUMEROUS

DAYS HAVING COME AND GONE JUST WANT

YOU'RE LOVE TO SHINE FROM ABOVE LOVE'S

TORCH TO LIGHT OUR WAY ANTICIPATING

THE DAY I HOPE AND PRAYALL FOR

MOTHERS LOVE

UNAWARE

LOVES MEANING AT TIMES CAN BE TO LIVE A LIE

TOSSING TURNING LEAVES MY MIND BURNING

TO WONDER WHERE IS MY LOVE

PERHAPS IN A DITCH FEASIBLY UNDER WATER



TO THE MATTER AS LONG AS YOU MAKE IT HOME

TO ME I LOVE YOU ROLLS FROM HIS TONGUE

TO HIS LIPS BLEMISHED BY HER BALM

SYMPATHETIC GESTURES WRAP ME IN A BLANKET

WORDS SO SWEET HAS THE STING OF BEES

WITH MY HEART I ATTEMPT TO BEWARE WHEN I

AM FORCEDAT TIMES TO SHARE MY LOVE NONENTITY

UNAWARE

MY SHOES

AWKWARD ME EARTH AT A TILT ON ITS AXES THE

SKY APPEARS TO WANT TO SWALLOW ME WHOLE

DEVOURED IN PIECES I BECKON MY POWER

MIGHTY AS A HUMMING BIRDS WINGS GIVER

OF LIFE REVILIES FLASHES OF MY LIFE IN

ABUNDANCE CARRY MY SOUL TO THE HEAVENS

SO I MAY BE WASHED CLEAN RELEASING MY ANGER

AMONG SUPPLEMENTARY THINGS

SET FORTH IN STONE IS TUMBLE ON MY BUILDING

BLOCKS HAVING SUFFERED MUCH THOUGH NOTHING SEEMS

LOST AVENUES I SHUNNED END UP SUCCEEDING ME

UNTIL JUDGEMENT DAY FOR LIFE IS ETERNAL

AND FORGIVENESS IS KEY FOLLOW ME AND TAKE

A WALK IN MYSHOES

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YOU'RE LAUGH TAKEN TO BED WITH ME EVEN

ON THE NIGHTS YOU CAN NOT MAKE IT HOME

YOU'RE SMILE MY VITALITY OF LIFE

I INHALE YOUR SCENT BECOMING MY AIR

SATISFYING ME WITH SUCH JOY I PRAY U ARE REAL

TIME AT A STAND STILL WHEN WE KISS I BELONG

TO YOU MENTALITY THE EXCITEMENT

OF LOVE FOR THE FIRST TIME THE BURNING OF

LOVE THE INTENSE MIRAGE OF PASSION THAT IS

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MANHOOD

I CAN INDICATE TO YOU HOW TO BE A MAN TEACHING

YOU ALL THE THINGS THAT MATTER MOST HOW

TO TREAT THE VERY LOVE YOU HOLD CLOSE TO

CHARISH ALL AS A NEW TOY AT CHRISTMAS

THE MERE SHOWING OF AFFECTION FOR YOUR

FELLOW MAN IS THE VERY STRENGTH OF A MAN

TO SPEAK WITH INTELLECT GATHERING THE

KNOWLEDGE OF ANGLES IS THE VERY ESSENCE

OF A MAN I CAN LAY BARE TO YOU HOW TO BE A MAN

TO WALK TALL AND BE PROUD OF WHERE YOU COME FROM

AND RENOUNCE IGNORANCE THAT THREATENS YOUR GROWTH

AS A MAN MY REFINED JOURNEY TO WATCH OVER AND

PROTECT YOU AS BEST I COULD ON YOUR WAY TO DISCOVERING

YOU'RE MANHOOD

SILENCE

DISTANT ARE MY FEELINGS OF HAPPINESS

GONE BE MY PAIN FLORISH I WILL EVEN AFTER THE

RAIN I SIT SILENT

DORMANT IS MY HATE WITH LOVING EYES I CRY

CHARISHED ARE MY MEMORIES

I SIT SILENT

MY MIND RAGING WATERS MY HOPE INCASED IN

GLASS JOYES BE MY LOVE FUTILE MY JUDGEMENT

MY SOUL A WASTELAND I BREAK

MYSILENCE

SUGAR

POETRY IN MOTION CAN ONLY DEFINE CURVES

THAT DEFEY ALL LAWS OF GRAVITY TRY I DO

TO CONTROL MY BEATING HEART

MOUTH SOPPING WET HUNGERY

RESTLESS PERSPIRATION ROLLS FROM MY BROW

I AM DRAWN TO YOU

LIPS SWEET AS HONEY BODY CANDYLAND

STRAWBERRY KISSES COCONUT SMILE

I MELT STRIVING TO STAY SUGAR FREE

SO TEMPTING YOU ARE YOU ARE TO

ME

SLAVE TO PAIN

I SHALL NOT REMAIN A SLAVE TO MY PAIN

WANTING TO RISE AS THE TIDES I AM PLAUGED

WITH NEGITIVE THOUGHTS POUNDING AT MY FLESH

REPEADILY UNTIL NOTHING REMAINS

A SLAVE TO PAIN MY HEART STAINED

FULL OF HOPE AND WISHES UPON

MANY A STAR JUST FOR PEACE OF MIND REVILING TO THE ONES I LOVE JUST HOW MUCH I HAVE CHANGED TO HAVE FALLEN ON DEAF EARS *NOT HEARING A SINGLE WORD I SAY*

CAN AND DO PEOPLE CHANGE FROM MY PERSONAL

EXPERIENCE I CAN GIVE A SHOUTED HALLILUYAH!!

CAUSE TO STAY THE SAME IS TO REMAIN

A SLAVE TO MY PAIN

MS.BOSSY

MUST I LEAVE MY WORLD TO CHANCE

OBSESSED TO GET IT RIGHT ANGER

GOVERNING MY ABLITY TO KNOW

OF IMMORAL AND RIGHT ACTING OUT OF

DAMAGE TO ALL IN MY WAY ENQUIRING

FORGIVENESS OF THOSE I TURNED AWAY

TRING I REACH OUT TO IDENTIFY

MYSELF MISSING MANY BLESSINGS MAY

NOT HAVE MANY LEFT

I MUST LEAVE MY WORLD TO CHANCE

DESPITE ALL COST PAID THE PRICE AMPLE

SACRIFICE TRING TO

BE THE BOSS

SET ME FREE

YOU'RE CLINGING TO ME SET ME FREE

COULD NOT HANDLE ME BEING IN YOUR WORLD

DEMOLISH ARE SO MANY GOALS

MANY FRIENDS NOW FOES REFUSING

DID NOT GET ALL MY PROPERTY FROM OUR PLACE

I JUST LEFT HAD TO GREW TIRED OF THE WAY

YOU TREATED ME WE MET ON NEUTRAL GROUND

WHY KEEP ME AROUND I CONTEMPLATE TO TORMENT

MY SOUL SO FRIGHTENED OF ANOTHER ENDULGING IN

MY JOY KEEPS YOU CLINGING TO ME

SET ME FREE

SISTA

WE LAUGH TOO CRIES MAY EXCHANGE THE SAME

GLANCE AT TIMES YOU FEEL LIKE A STRANGER FROM

THE PAST I AM PERMANENTLY ALONGSIDE YOU

CONSEQUENTLY BY WAY OF OR WITH OUT BLOOD YOU

ARE MY SISTA

TO PROUD TO ENDURE IN YOU SHADOW

NIEVE IN SEEKING YOUR GUIDENCE UNBREAKABLE IS

OUR BOND SEPARATION WAS KEY I LOST A PART

OF ME I AM WOEFUL UNABLE TO GET IT BACK

I SOB MORE IN ANGER THEN TRING TO SATISFY

ASPIRING TO BE AT LEASE A FRIEND YOU SHOULD

RELIE NONETHELESS IN THE END TREASURABLE

TIME WASTED WHERE TO START AGAIN NO MATTER

HOW LONG IT TAKES WHO LOVES ME LIKE YOU

NO OTHER THEN MY SISTA LOVE YOUR SISTA TOO

SAVE ME

I AM BROKEN A TREE INA TWISTER NO MATTER

HOW STRONG MY ROOTS I AM SUCKED UP

PULLED IN UNABLE TO GO

BUT THE WAY OF THE WIND

MY BARK SCATTERED TO THE VERY

ENDS OF THE EARTH MY BRANCHES

ONCE USED TO CARESS THE MORNING CLOUDS

RIPPED FROM WERE THEY REACHED MY LEAVES

SHELTER MY PROTECTOR

BRINGER OF FOOD TO MY DYING SOUL

SAVE ME

DESTINATION

THE INDIGNANT PAIN OF EXPECTING

MORE FROM WHAT YOU HAVE MY YOUNG EYES

TELL OF LEGENDS MY OLD SOUL ATTEMPTS TO HIDE

WHO LISTENS NO ONE ALTHOUGH THEY

HEAR JUST FINE BODY ACHING MIND IN

A DAZE MEREILY SURVIVING FROM DAY

TO DAY THESE EYES HAVE WITNESSED AMPLE

SORROW THIS HEART FELT ABUNDANT PAIN CONFUSED

MY CONFESSIONS OVERWHELMED WITH

PRIDE AND SHAME VULNERABLE TO EVEN UTTER

YOUR NAME SHALL I HOLD ON OR

PARISH

LOVES VOODOO

I AM IN A TRANCE UNDER YOUR SPELL NO

TIME TO HALT AND THINK AS SAND THROUH

MY FIST YOUR LAST KISS DROVE ME TO THE BRINK

TELL ME NO LIES GAZE IN MY EYES THIS BODY

YOURS TO KEEP OUTSIDES COLD BUT INSIDES

BURNING MESMORIZED BY WHAT I SEE BELIEVE EVERY WORD SOUNDS ABSURD YOUR WORDS MAGIC TO ME I SHED MY SKIN TO LET YOU IN WITH MY MIND PLEASE DO NOT PLAY I WILL NOT BE CONCERNED FOR THE LESSONS LEARNED WHEN LOVES VOODOO COMES YOU'RE WAY REMOVE THIS HEX YOU PUT ON MY HEART, SOUL, AND MIND DO AWAY WITH YOUR FACE

DETACH YOUR KISS IF ALL I HAD WAS ONE LAST

WISH I WARNED OF CONSEQUENCE I AM NOT

CONCERNED OF YOUR MISTAKES DID YOU LEARN

MANY BRIDGES YOU BURNED LOVES VOODOO

CAME YOUR WAY

MY ANGLE

REVEALED TO ME THE SHIMMER THAT CAUGHT SO

MUCH ATTENTION I HAVE TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOU

BEFORE I NEGLECT TO MENTION

BARED TO ME MY LIGHT AND BY WHAT MEANS TO

MAKE IT REFLECT

OF THE THINGS I CAN NOT CHANGE I CAN NOW

EXCEPT AIDED ME WITH MY GLOW NOW I

ALWAYS DO MY BEST DELIVERED ME PEACE OF

MIND SO MY MIND MAY REST OFFERED UP MY

DREAMS IN EXCHANGE FOR A BETTER LOOK

POSITIVE NOW MY THOUGHTS AN ANGLE IS ALL

IT ТООК

SPOILS OR WAR

OUR WORDS PROJECTED DAGGERS TO PIERCE THE

VERY SOUL I BLEED MY BLOOD TO BLEED YOUR

BLOOD I BLEED OUR BLOOD FOR I AM PART OF

YOU AND YOU OF ME VENGENCE IS MINE

I WILL SHARE ALL MY GOOD FORTUNE WITH ALL

BUT YOU PIERCED MY HEART WITH

WORDS YOU CAN NOT UNDO

PERFECT STORM

A PERFECT STORM IS ME MY TEARS BE THE

RAIN MY MIND CLOUDY HEART A

HURRIANE MY SMILE BE THE SUNSHINE MAKES

MY BODY THE WIND WITH A WAVE OF MY HAND

I USHER THE SEASONS IN

WINTER IS MY TONGUE

THE RAPTURE OF SPRING IN MY TOES WITH FALL

AT MY FEET SPRING LEAPS FROM MY NOSE I

AM A PERFECT STORM

DESOLATE AS THE HOLLOWS YET

TRANQUIL AS A BREEZE A PERFECT STORM

IS ME

ENDLESS

MY ENDLESS WANT OF NEEDLESS THINGS LEAVES ME

OBSESSEED WITH MY EMOTIONS MEANS TO

FIGHT NOT GIVING IN TO TEMPTATION

KILLING ME LEISURELY WANTING TO SURVIVE

I AM ON THE ATTACK FOR PREY NEEDLESS ENDLESS

I CO-EXSIST

LOVES POWER

SAY WHAT YOU WILL YET EYES ALWAYS TELL

SECRETS UNTOLD HELD WATER IN A WELL

I SHARED MY UNCLEAN SPIRIT POURED

MY UNCLEAN BLOOD ALL IN SEARCH OF LOVE

CRAVING A SMILE SUBDUED BY REGRET STILLING

A MOMENT QUITE AS KEPT WHEN TO HEARTS

COLLIDE TO BEAT AS ONE 'O' THE POWER

THE POWER OF LOVE

INSIDE-OUT

HAVING NO LIMIT TO MY SATIFACTION MY

THRIST FOR LIFE DRIVES ME TO DRINK OF FILTHY

PONDS AND BROOKS MY SOUL DARK PLACID

IN SEARCH TO FIND MY COMMON GROUND ITS

SHIFTLESS APPEARS SENSELESS TO GO ON

CANNOT REST IN PEACE NOR TAKE MY FINALE BREATH

MAY MY TEARS WASH AWAY UNTIL THERES NOTHING LEFT

HAVING NO LIMIT TO MY CONTENT SHALL

AIR ONLY TO BE TAKEN FOR GRANTED I AM LEFT

FEELING BARE THERE I STAND STRIPPED OF ALL

SELFWORTH NAKED EXPOSED TO THE ELEMENTS

OF THE EARTH

AGELESS

I AM TURNING THE BIG_____, BUT I DO NOT

LOOK MY AGE I CAN RUN WITH THE LIONS IN

THEIR FIELDS AT PLAY I WILL

PRAY_____ TIMES

MAKE A WAY_____ TIMES TOO

KISS AND HUG _____ TIMES

AND MAKE LOVE _____ TIMES

MAGNIFICENCE IS AGELESS

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MOTHER LAND

TAKE ME BACK TO THE LAND OF MY BIRTH ACROSS OCEANS OF TEAL LIES A VAST NATION

WHERE A COCOA CINNAMON PEOPLE SCUFFLE TO HEAL

THIS LAND I AM IN I CAN NOT CONNECT

SUCH SELFISHNESS SO MUCH GREED TAKE ME TO THE MOTHER LAND OF MY FREEDOM

TO EXCHANGE STORIES OF OLD ALONGSIDE BROTHERS AND SISTERS LOST IN THE STRUGGLE

BUILDING A WORLD OF FALSE PROMISES ARE COLORED MEN A EQUAL

UGLY ACTION IN THOUGHTS EXPRESSED IN NAMES

BLACK MAGIC AND OBSCURE BOY OUR RACE UNFORTUNATELY DESCASTED

SO MUCH BLOOD HAS BEEN SHED IN OUR CAUSE

SET APART IS A DREAM TOO WALK ON SANDS TODDLED

ON BY FATHERS OF MY FATHER WHERE MOTHERS

OF MY MOTHER GIVE BIRTH TO A BEAUTIFUL

ARAY OF SHADES OF BROWN AND GOLD TO LOOK UPON BAGGENED EYES

AND SWOLLEN FACES OF MY PEOPLE EXPLAINING TO

LOST COUSINS THE CURES TO DISEASES THAT

SLAYED HIS BROTHER ARE PLENTIFUL BEYOND THE WATER AND FOOD ENDLESS

TO ONLY THOSE WHO DARE EXCAPE CATASTROFY OF A CHILD LEFT TO DIE BY THE

SUPREMACIES OF A CRUEL WORLD

VAGUE

THIS REMINISCENCE OF LOVE VAGUE SO MANY THINGS

SEEM TO COME SECONDARY TO LOVE

A SUDDEN SHIFT IN POWER LEAVES ME AT MOST

TO QUESTION LOVE AND ITS POWER TO CONTROL

I MUST LEARN TO LOVE SOMEONE IS TO LOVE

MYSELF A NECESSITY NOT WASTED ON INATIQUTE OBJECTS

UNABLE INCAPABLE OF GIVING LOVE IN RETURN

BUT WHAT AM I TO UNDERSTAND AMONG SLAMMED DOORS

SHOUTED WORDS IN ANGER KILLING MY SELF-ESTEEM

I AM NOW UNRECOGNIZABNLE TO MYSELF VAGUE

BE THIS THE REAL TEST OF LOVE DO MY BLACKENED EYES

BRUISED SKIN TELL MY TALE

I ONCE KNEW A LOVE

LITTTLE LIGHT

ENDEAVORED TO EXTINGISH MY LITTLE LIGHT THAT

GOD IGNITED FOR ME MANY MOONS AGO I WAS DISTRAUGHT

RELUCTANT A SHEEP IN THE CLOVER TO

FABRICATIONS FOR ONE MIND TO HOLD WANTING TO OPEN UP

COMPARABLE PEDDLES OF A ROSE

ENDEAVORED TO EXTINGUSH MY LITTLE LIGHT

BUT THE HEAVENS MADE MY PLAN HAD TO WAIT BE PATIENT

TO RECEIVE A MORE ENHANCED MAN EVERY LESSON

LEARNED TOOK ALL I COULD TAKE

OPPRESSED ME WITH LOVE DEPRESSED

ME WITH HATE

LOVE ALMIGHTY

NATURE'S FORCE SO MIGHTY IS MY LOVE I FORGE BURNING UNDER THE SUN MOMENTARY LIKE THE WIND BUT STILL UNCHANGED TO ANXIOUS OF WHATS TO COME I RUN WANTING TO GIVE NEVER TO RECEIVE I BELIEVED ALWAYS IN SEARCH OF LOVE I RECLAIMED IT LOVES **EVERLASTING FROM THE INSIDE OUT NEVER** HANKERING TO BE OUTSIDE YOUR LIGHT TO SPEND ETERNITIY IN YOUR PROTECTION TOGETHER OVERCOMING OBSTICALES TO FORGIVE AND PROMISE TO LOVE ABOVE ALL OTHERS SO MIGHTY IS OUR LOVE SHACKING EARTH TO

ITS VERY CORE WE BESTOW OUR INSCRIPTION FOR I

TO BEAR BEFORE THE LORD TO LOVE AND

CHERISH SO MIGHTY OUR LOVE ALMIGHT

SCAVERGER HUNT

A SCAVENGER I ROAM IN PURSUIT OF PEACE IN MEADOWS

OF TALL BLADES LOFTY FOOTPATHS PLANNED TO TAKE SEEM

FASTING TO HOPE ALL THINGS REVEAL THEMSELVES TO

MESTRECHING AS FAR AS THE EAST

A SCAVENGER I ROAM

FILLING MYSELF WITH PARTS OF A WHOLE SUSTAINING UNTIL

I COMPLETE MY HUNT ACCUMULATING LIES COLLECTED TRUTHES

SQUIRRELING ALL THINGS THAT CREATE YOURS TRULY

LEFT BY OTHERS A SCAVENGER

I ROAM

RUNAWAY

I WANT TO SCUTTLE AWAY FEELS LIKE IM BOUND IN CHAINS

AWAY TO ESCAPE THESE SCREAMING VOICES IN MY BRAIN

SO MANY A TIME I WANTED JUST TO SAY SCARED I WOULD BE LOOKED

ABOUT OR PERHAPS TURNED AWAY OFTEN PRAYED FOR BETTER DAYS

STATIONARY BELIEVING NO ONE UNDERSTANDS ME

THROUGH DESTUCTIVE WAYS I ACT OUT MY PAIN SO DISAPPOINED

ASHAMMED YOU DONT RECOGNIZE ME

I WANT TO RUN AWAY TO A PLACE WHERE I AM FREE EVERYTHING

AT MY PACE SO FAR FROM HOMES TORTURED MEMORIES

I CAN NOT ERASE

I WANT TO RUN AWAY

LOVE MUSCULE

BEAUTY BELONGS TO THOSE WHO ENVOKE IT POWER CAN

HAVE ITS PLACE TO THE WEAK I AM EAGER DESPITE

TO MAKE MY PEACE EVERY TRAGEDY SEEMS TO HAVE

NO END EVERY ROAD PAVED IN DECEPETION YOU MAY

BELIEVE YOU HAVE THE STRENGHT

BUT THERE IS ONE EXCEPTION YOU NEED MUCH

STRENGHTH BUT MUST BE CAREFUL NOT TO STRAIN IT

FOR THE DAMAGE DONE MAY BE BEYOND REPAIR OR

CAN BE YOURS

IF YOU CLAIM IT

MYLOVE

SHAME ON YOU MY LOVE FOR YOUR CARELESSNESS

OF MY HEART THIS PRECIOUS STONE I KEPT LOCK

AND KEY UNTIL THE DAY YOU CAME TO ME

YOUR WINGS OUT STRETCHED

WRAPPED MY BODY IN SILK MY VIGOR OF LIFE AS

MOTHERS MILK

SHAME ON YOU MY LOVE FOR BEARING

BITTER FRUITS WITH YOUR LIES I AM CHOKED

BY YOUR ROOTS SHAME ON YOU MY LOVE

FOR THE THINGS YOU DID TO ME

I FORGIVE YOU MY LOVE

FOR MY SANITY

LOVE BIRD

EXCEPTIONAL AS I TRY TO BE EXCELLENT MY OUTER

WORKINGS BRING ME GREAT PEACE RADIANCE I GIVE OFF

CRYPTIC ARE MY FEELINGS HUNG HIGH IN A CAGE

MANY A SONG FILL MY HEAD

ENRAGED INCAGED LONGING TO BE FREE I AM

A LOVE BIRD FRAIL TO SING WANTING TO CROON

WITH ALL MY MIGHT OUT COMES NOTHING TO

ESCAPE MERELY WHAT I SEE TO SHARE A PIECE OF ME

I AM A LOVE BIRD HIGH HOPES TO SING

WATHCHING LIFE FLASH BEFORE MY EYES

AS I WASHED MY BLOOD FROM THE FLOOR ON

HANDS AND KNEES I PRAY

TO THE LORD CAPTURED IN MY SMILE SENSATIONS

NEVER IMAGINED RELIVING EACH HAPPY MOMENT

EAGER TO WRITE NEW CHAPTERS

BUT FOR NOW I AM BOUND HOLDING MY TUNES

WITHIN ME

I AM A LOVE BIRD UNABLE TO SING

MY STAR

MY DIAMOND YOUR POSE I ENVY TO REMIND YOU

HOW SPECIAL YOU ARE MY STAR NEVER HUMBLED BY

ANYTHING NO TASK SEEMING TO GREAT

YOU TRANSCEND HOLDING FATE IN THE PALM

OF YOUR HAND HAVING THE WILL TO BEND

YOU ARE MIGHTY

MY STAR BORN TO ME ON EARTH YOU'RE INTEGRITY

MATCHES THE MOUNTAIN TOPS MANY VICTORIES STILL

TO CLAIM THANKS FOR PRINCIPLES LIST AND STAIGHT A'S

CURTAIN CALL YOU'RE WANT OF IT ALL

WILL HAVE ME FOREVER

SING YOUR PRAISE

ROBBED

I FLEE LEAVING ALL IN MY PAST TO BEGIN TO FIND

ENDLESS FIELDS OF GOLD THIS WILL COME TO PASS

AM I TO SUFFER BODY ROBBED OF LOVE THIS TRIAL

TO WATCH THE SEASONS ALTER GIVING ME

MUCH NEEDED AMMUNITION TO GIVE A KISS

NEVER KNOWING OF SIMPLE THINGS

I TO WILL COME TO PASS SHALL I CONTINUE TO INDORE

A SERIES OF UNFORTUNATE EVENTS THAT SEEM TO

SPAN A LIFE TIME

TRANQUILLITY A JUST SEARCH FOR MY

NEED OF LOVE

NO FEAR

MY FEELINGS DELICATE A FEATHERS DANCE IN

THE BREEZE PARDON MY TONGUE FOR IT MY

CUT WITH EASE MY TEARS SWELL I SMILE ON

THE OUTSIDE HAD TO LET THEM FLOW WAS

DROWNING INSIDE PUSHED UP MYSLEEVES

GOT DOWN ON MY KNEES POURED MY SPIRIT

FOR HIM TO HEAR

NO FEAR HELD MYSOFTNESS MUCH TO LONG

BECAME THE CLOUD DELAYING MY DAWN

MUST SPEAK MY MIND DESIRING TO PORTION

MY LOAD FORGIVINESS IS A

LONG WAVERING ROAD

MY FLOW

I FLOW A BABBLING BROOK MY COURAGE STRONG

INSATIABLE IS ME LONGJEVITY HAS ITS WAY I

PRAY FOR LIFE EVERLASTING EXPOSED TO THE

ELEMENTS I BEGIN TO MELT BECOMING THE MIST

LOVES KISS REJUVENATING ME BACK TO MY

WHOLESELF

PLEADING FOR FORGIVINESS MANY TIMES IN

MANY TONGUES RELIEVING AND RELEASING MY

INTER GLOW I FLOW A BABBLING BROOK

OVER ROCKS THROUGH THE TREES IN SEARCH

OF REST I FORGE THIS LAND DID TURN INWARD

FOR PEACE AT PEACE I FLOW

LOVES 10

I WOULD HAVE WALKED TO THE VERY ENDS OF

THE EARTH WITH ONLY YOUR SCENT I WAS LURED IN

YOU CHOOSE WORDS CAREFULLY AS NOT TO

OFFEND YOUR FIRE UNCONTROLLABLE UNTAMABLE

QUITE UNTIL IGNITED YOUR SMILE FOOLS GOLD

PLEASANT BUT NO REAL VALUE YOUR WORDS

WORTHLESS I CAN NOT EVEN PAY ATTENTION I AM

DONE WITH LOVING YOU OUR REFLECTION ONCE

LUMINATED THE WORLD CAPTIVATING ALL WITH

OUR GLOW ENERGY INTENSITY DREW US CLOSE I HAVE

BEEN VANQUISHED BY YOU LOVE YOU WIN AGAIN

MYHEART 0 TO LOVES 10

STONE

YOU KNOW ME SO WELL MY VIGILANCE I CAN NOT

HIDE I WANT IN NEED WILL GET WHATS MINE MANY

NIGHTS INDURED I LAY AWAKE MOURNFUL FROM THE

CHOICES I CHOSE TO MAKE ECHOING TO MYSELF

HOW LOVE IS NOT BLIND FORGIVE AND FORGET

TIME AFTER TIME BY NO MEANS OF GETTING BACK MY

TIME STOLE ROTATING MY SOUL FROM WATER

TO STONE

GREY DAY

TIRED IS MYBODY THE HUNGER WITHIN SNAPS

ME BACK TO REALITY I BLINK HARD STRAINING TO

RECHARGE POWER LOW FROM GIVING IT AWAY

IT'S A GREYDAY

WAS A FEW HAVE TURNED TO MANY FINGER

POINTING CHAOS INFINITE HEALING

ONCE WAS GOLD MY HEART NOW COLD

IT'S A GRAYDAY

TO YOU I GAVE MY KEY PROMISES NEVER TO HURT

ME STAGNANT IN THIS SPACE AND TIME

WHERE IS MY SUNSHINE TO GIVE ME HOPE IN MY

DISMA Y

IT'S A GREYDAY

DEPART

I CAN ONLY WATCH AS YOU PASS AWAY SUPERFICIAL

NOT TO BE IN CONTROL OF WHAT IS TANGIBLE

IN YOUR EYES I SEE ANGUISH YOUR SPIRIT WITHERING

A FLOWER AMONG WEEDS I HAVE NO WAY TO CONFORT YOU

EVERY TOUCH ONLY SEEMS TO CAUSE YOU MORE ACHE

I CAN ONLY WATCH AS YOU PASS AWAY CAUGHT

IN MANY A MOMENT TEARS FALL EYES BURNING

ARMS YEARNING YET HERES A SMILE TO WAIT AWHILE

INOW EXPERIENCED TRUE HEART BREAK

YOU'RE BREATHING SO SHALLOW BARELY A SIGH

ICRY AS YOU SEARCH FOR MY FACE I

AM WITH YOU FULFULLED EVERY STEP IN THIS RACE

POWERLESS I FEEL DESIRING YOU COULD STAY

BUT GOD IS CALLING

CAN NOT MAKE HIM WAIT

PAIN

HOW DO YOU DEAL WITH PAIN OF THE HEART

PAIN SO DEEP WORLDS FALL APART GIVING YOUR

CHILD ALL THE LOVE IN THE WORLD CAN NOT MAKE

UP FOR THEM WANTING TO BELONG LOVE NO

STRINGS ATTACHED LOVE TO TELL MY CHILD IN

SEARCH OF THEIR OTHER HALF TO COPE WITH

THINGS AS THEY MAY COME

TONIGHT NO LIGHTS TOMORROW NO FOOD

AND NO ONE SEEMS CONCERNED HOW DO YOU HIDE PAIN

SMILING WHILEI WANT TO CRY UNABLE TO SEPARATE

MY LONELY DAYS AND NIGHTS UNFIGURED IS TIME

WHERE EXACTLY DO I BELONG

WHEN FAMILYSTARTS TO FEEL LIKESTRANGERS AND YOU

ONLY LOOK FORWARD TO SLUMBER HOW DO YOU DEAL

WITH PAIN YOU LET IT WIN BUILD POWER KNOWLEDGE

SELF FROM PAIN

USE IT

I WEEP

INTERNALLY I WEEP MY HEART WEIGHED BY

CONCRETE BURDENSOME IS MY LOAD POWER TO

THE ONE WHO EMPATHIES THE MOST LOVE CAST DOWN

FROM ONLY ABOVE I FEEL SAINTITY IN YOUR TOUCH

MUST I REQUEST AND BESEECH OF MY LOVE HELL NO

I DESERVE IT UNCERTAIN OF OUR NEXT ENDEAVOR

I WEEP POWERLESS OMINOUS

SO ASHAMED FOR BEING WEAK MY LOVE

SUCH A LOVE MAY NOW REST IN PEACE

I WEEP

TIME

YOU ARE THE ONE ENTITY I BELIEVE I CAN NOT CONTROL

TAKING PIECES OF ME IN SECONDS I DO NOT SEEM TO

MISS ARE YOU MY FRIEND? AS YOU COME AND GO YOU DO

UNLIMITED THINGS I HAVE LEARNED TO APPRICIATE YOU

I CAN NOW EXCEPT WHAT YOU MAY HAVE IN STORE FOR

ME AN EDIFIED JOURNEY FULL OF QUESTS

I MISS YOU WHEN YOU'RE GONE BECAUSE I KNOW

YOUR NEVER COMING BACK ALL I CAN DO IS REMAIN STILL

FREEDOM IN MY GRASP YOUR ALL I HAVE AS I EXIST IN

SOUL MATE

IN MY MIND IS YOUR SHAPE AND MOLD I SEARCH

THE ENTIRE WORLD AMBITIOUS TO HOLD A LITTLE

PIECE OF HAPPINESS BELONGING ONLY TO

ME I WILL SMILE AGAIN EXCITEMENT FILL

MY HEART IN SEARCH OF MY SOUL MATE A WORLD

APART BY THE TIME I UNCOVER YOU

I DESERVE YOUR LOVE NO ONE BEFORE YOU

COMPOSED FROM GOD ABOVE

OUR MISSION NOW COMPLETE

LIFE WE CAN BEGIN INDULGENT IN YOU

MY SOUL MATE

ENVISIONING THE VERY END

BFF

WE PRECEDED OTHERS SHADOWED SLISH SLASH TWO

SWALLOWS BESTFRIENDS UNTIL THE END OF OUR

DAYS HOURS APPEARING EXTENDED PERSISTANCE EXTENSIVE

ALWAYS SO MUCH TO CONVEY

MY CONFIDING IN YOU BRINGS SUNSHINE

VITAL TIME SPEAKING IT IS ALMOST SUNRISE

DEPENDENCE ON YOU IS

NO BOTHER HARDLEY EVER FUSS IF THERE IS

A QUICK MEND NOONE COMPARABLE TO YOU IN THE UNIVERSE

MY BESTFRIEND

SPIDER MOM

MY MOM IS A SPIDER AND I THINK I KNOW WHY SHE HEARS

ALL SEES PLENTY AND I SAWHER EAT A FLYSHE ALWAYS

SPINS HER WEB EATS BLACK JELLY BEANS I FALL IN HER

TRAP SHE CATCHES ME HOLDS ME IN HER MANY ARMS

I CAN NEVER GET AWAY GET OFF ME MOM DID YOU SHAVE

TODAY? MY MOM IS A SPIDER AND I THINK I KNOW WHY SHE

HEARS ALL SEES PLENTY AND ISAW HER EAT A FLY SHE OCCASIONALLY

DROPS IN AND SHE EVEN SCARES ME BUT I KNOW SHE WILL NOT

HURT ME BECAUSE I AM HER BABY MY MOM IS A SPIDER AND

I THINK I KNOW WHY SHE SEES ALL HEARS PLENTY AND I SAW

HER EAT A FLY

NATURES QUEEN

CONTENT WITH MY WELL BEING MY CONSCIENCE SPOKE

TO ME FEELING AT EASE I AM LOLL WITH THE LEAVES ASKING

OF NATURE TO RUN MY COURSE BE THAT AS IT MAY I AM

QUEEN FOR THE DAY

TODAY IS THE SPREADING OF MY WINGS

MY TAKING OF FLIGHT THROUGH THE CLOUDS TASTING OF

THE WORLDS SWEETEST FRUITS HOW THE TREES THEY BOW

BE THAT AS IT MAY I AM QUEEN FOR THE DAY

ONE AND ALL THE CAPTURED MOON FIGHTS THE FRIVILIOUS SUN

ALL TO BE MY CROWN I AM ROYALITY NOW

BE THAT AS IT MAY I AM QUEEN

FOR THE DAY

1 NIGHT

WILL I EVER SEE YOU AGAIN MY BODYSTILL ON FIRE EACH FLAME

A KISS FROM YOUR LIPS YOUR EMBRACE STILL CLINTCHED TIGHT

YOUR SCENT A STAIN ON MYSOUL I AM STILL QUIVERING

A FANTASTIC ADVENTURE IS OUR BODIES

FRESH IN MY MIND OUR EXPLORATION YOU ARE

MY SAFARI YOUR APPITTIE FOR ME FEROCIOUS NEVER

SEEMING TO GET ENOUGH

UNKNOWING IS THE NEXT TIME I WILL SEE YOUR FACE SO COME MY LOVE SHADOW ME BEYOND THE GALIXIES WHERE WE WILL SHARE UNINHIBITED FEMININITY EVEN FOR ONE NIGHT ADJOININGTO LAST A LIFETIME

THE END

STRIVING TO BETTER MYSELF WILLING

TO TRADE ALL I POSSES TO BE FREE

PLACED ON THE PEDISTAL WITH ZEUS

HIMSELF TO YOU I BOW FAR BE

IT TO WISE TO SETTLE

TEMPTING INFERNO IS MY LOVE FOR

YOU INTENSE AS THE MILKY WAY FORSEEN

ARE MY IMPERFECTIONS FOR EXCEPTING

YOURS I RECEIVE YOUR GRACE CAREFULLY

PERPLEXED I SEARCH A SEA OF SOULS UNTIL

WE MERGE UNYIELDING AS TIME AND SPACE

GRADUAL REALEASED FROM MY CURSE PASSION

FOR YOU GOD'S CHOSEN LOVE THAT BURNS THE EARTH

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

TO MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS I LOVE YOU ALL

THANK YOU TO THE SPLENDED PEOPLE IN MY

LIFE AND ALMIGHTY GOD FOR ALWAYS LOVING ME

EVEN WHEN I DID NOT LOVE MYSELF