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I am a poet that is Divinely inspired. I have lived a life of many woes but have come to peace with each one, realizing that each curve in my life wasn't necessarily the end unless I decided to not change my path. The poems that I write are about three things: life, love, and God. Most are about the incisive faith that has helped shape who I am. The love that I have experienced and hope to experience, are written to dive deep inside my feelings. This is so that one can feel the pain and joy that has came through each period in my life. And the life spectrum of my poems usually reflects life issues, or everyday worries. I write what I feel and feel what I write. My intention isn't to gloat or mope about my life but instead to rejoice with the many blessings that I have and will forever endure. My advice in reading the poems I have is to not look at it through your own closed off mind, but to see it through my eyes. My eyes who have seen God work in amazing ways and seen the many unnoticed blessings that are often unseen. If you can see the joy that I see in everyday occurances, then you truly see God on Earth. Blessings!!

# A Divine Wedding

Two souls separately beat for each other yet they continue to persist not knowing one another They do not realize they were meant to be tied and exist as one till they fall and die This unity that's to be brought by something divine will leave each person feeling fully refined That one day when these two are wed will be the day when new ground is to be tread They will walk the new path that merrily emerged as their ways of life gloriously began to merge The purity vows are broken as they take their token to a wonderful world that was, until now, unspoken This new world to which they depart will tie a knot that's unwilling to part This divine union that has built a communion will stand till death bids each a much wanted reunion Their unfailing love will be enough because it was inspired by the Immortal above As they begin to dance in the endless romance they will be connected

in the melody of a single trance
These two separate souls
that are now one
have entered a three-legged race
that has officially begun
Though their path may have
a divot or two
they will finish the race
through and through
Because this divine duet
will never fret
but will be a couple
the world will never forget

#### A Moment With You

A moment with you, is like a dream come true. You make me feel like I am worth something more. Like I am here for a reason, and meant to open new doors. I may not see how you look, or be able to envision. But I know the real you, and that makes an incision. The love you have shown surpasses all my understanding. It can only be described as forever withstanding. The day we meet face to face, may be the only time I understand your grace. Throughout my life, I attempt to be true. Because all I long for, is a moment with you.

## A Promising Girl

There's a girl I know that brings a smile to my heart reflecting a life that is a beautiful work of art Her captivating smile brightens my day making my inner-pain flutter far away The feeling that she leaves makes my heart believe that her love need not be achieved Yet, its given with an act of simplicity with no attachments or wanted publicity The friendship that she does bestow makes me comfortable like I'm now her bro If she only knew the impact she gives on each and every life that will forever live She transforms each broken heart making it feel special like its set apart The mere smile of this unique girl can brighten even the darkest of worlds When she walks into a room spirits begin to lift setting each and every mind adrift She makes people feel inclined to do something greater pushing them to strive for it now instead of later The feeling she does spread lifts every head and each pain and worry are now dead But left in its place is a new set pace to push onwards and finish the race Little does this girl know what she has done and the pride that she gives God's only Begotten Son For she is and will always be something much greater then she will ever see

#### **Abstinence**

I will wait until the vow is made before I let my chastity fade. I save myself for the right girl, the one that will wait for me. It may take a while for the time to come but that is the decision I chose to be. I dream of that one day, we will be united. We both will enjoy the reward for which we fighted. This person is a challenge, for whom I'll pay the cost. Praying that she'll live only for me, before she lets herself become lost. I consider this ambition an unclosed seel. Whoever this promise is made for, thank you for waiting for me to kneel.

## Adopting Life...

I stand and watch the bitter-patter of their calloused feet Paining deep down inside as my heart and empathy meet To watch the poor progression of those who were never loved my heart turns the leaf, towards a new perspective I'm shoved One turns his head and looks at me nods his head as if to agree that both of us know that it may never be My heart shatters into pieces as I turn my face Knowing at the core of my heart I can never replace Replace the parents they lost in the tragedy of life The true existence that brings endless strife To walk by an orphanage where all eyes are downcast I continue my meaningless stroll tearing as opportunity is passed Day by day, its the same routine passing by a consistent scene where all of the characters remain unseen But one day I'll pick up what society has dropped One day, I'll step in and I will adopt

#### Alone...

Standing in a room of people feeling all alone concealing this want to be known I yell at the top of my lungs for me to be heard Yet nobody listens to me not one word I'm barely breathing at this stage and there's nothing left inside except this intense rage Why do I walk this path that wraps around and around wearing this hole into this familiar ground This feeling continues to arise unwilling to taste demise but continually blinding my hopeful eyes I see so many people digging their own ruts all repeating the same question of what What will define me make me into something more what is it that will open these sought after doors What can lengthen my step and broaden my views pushing my hope to make it through If I could just toss this routine into the abyss I would feel like so much more like I finally exist As I continue to wander my head starts to ponder that maybe its my own self

that I continue to squander
Maybe if I could put my hopes
into something much larger
then my desires and dreams
would stretch much farther
Maybe my downcast eyes
should start to look up
and maybe to Him
I should pass my cup

## Be Still

When the sunsets gone and it seems like nothings alive All my dreams are fading beneath the dark skies Every hope that is in me is looking for something more As I watch my anticipations hitting the floor You stand with Your arms open wide Waiting for me to join You at Your side You whisper 'Don't worry, the pain is gone, I will hold you until you reach your new dawn. Your heart, pain and worries, will no longer fill. Just hush my child and be still.'

## Beauty...

In life, all people seem to strive

to be beautiful in someone else's eyes.

They put all they have

into being something of beauty.

Trying to beautify petty aspects

in an attempt to be something they have only dreamed.

Their countless attempts

never seem to be enough for their confidence,

yet, it beats them farther into their self-made pity.

All thats wanted by us, is to be beautiful to everyone else

but why can't I even be that to myself.

Oh how we beg the Lord, to change the us

into a mere optical illusion;

figuring that this is the one and only solution.

I look at the mirror with such hate on what I am

because it just doesn't seem to be enough.

I look around as others stare in their own mirror,

not with curiosity, but with mere shame.

With all my hope gone, I figure 'What the heck?

Why don't I just look again, and stare at me, the wreck?

But wait, Why don't I just listen to God's voice, that in me confides,

that maybe my true beauty, lies inside? '

This Hope sees the inner us and builds from that

instructing us to look deeper than the skin

and to really grasp what lies within.

This distant voice from above, sees beauty in our love.

The fairness He sees is in all that is done

not for ourselves, but for our friends.

The things we give to those who need, the smiles

that transform the darkest of days into the brightness of praise.

So much excellence that is unseen by our own eyes,

but shines brighter then we can fathom in the hearts of those

that walk with familiar shame.

Why do we choose to see

something of which we disagree

and set aside our true beauty.

An attractiveness that breaks the bounds of our sight

and lets the love flow in and out, destroying our doubt

and bringing promise in the midst of this drought.

Cause everyone is beautiful in a very distinct style; showing that, even the greatest sight of beauty can be brought with a simple smile.

## Beauty's Last Breath...

Beauty need not be given, nor is it bought at a price. One need not seek it out but find it in one's self. The beauty that speaks the most is found in the depths of one's soul. The care you give, the passion you spread; the encouraging words that lifts each head. The touch that can heal the deepest wound and comfort the mere infancy of one's soul. Oh, how beautiful you are when your life is lived for something more. To turn the leaf and break the silence that downcasts your existence of unspoken deeds. But instead, yell with pure joy, fleeing from fallen feelings that fray beauty's identity, and reaching the outcasted serenity of a soul's work that breaks the bounds of disgust; loosens the limits of iniquity; and furthers oneself to stand forth with true entity. Not afraid of what beats the broken, but steadfast in belief that beauty will exist as long as one makes it persist. For to find beauty in a fallen world, the definition must be disclosed; and the ever infinite answer of love will finally be exposed. That if love will ultimately be, The mumbles of your last breath; than beauty, my dear friend, will never taste death.

# Being Real

If you were real you would be yourself You wouldn't walk in doubt trying to mimic someone else You'd hold to what you truly believe These beliefs would be concrete and not just perceived Is it that hard to stay true to what you now trust Why do you give in to all that material lust Isn't it funny that you fake the only thing that's real Giving into thoughts that are nothing but surreal When you truly find yourself you won't want to be someone else Cause you'll be real and not conceal the reality which you feel

## **Bested By The Better**

Bested by iniquity, my heart begins to drown; as my Holy beacon makes its last sound. Stricken with dismay, I fall to my safe place. Oh, how I take advantage of this given grace. All I tend to do in these rollercoaster days, is grief my existence, ignorant to where my heart lay. The given peace of my pierced salvation, is far from my mind, as I give way to temptation. How I love one, and despise the opposition; but shy my face, from my Holy Intuition. Blessed are those who walk in step, whose day is lived with eternalized pep. Oh, how my envy goes out as I prolong this drought, where my beliefs are based in my own doubt. But savor the day when that will change, as my fallen times become exchanged; and in its place, a new set pace, for now as I walk, I limit my grace. For now my needs are centered on rock, as I strengthen my legs

and further my walk.

#### **Bettered Love**

We lay there looking beyond life and onto the future. So many mixed feelings in me, begging to be released on account of pure pain pressuring peace. So many unsaid words, dancing in a self-made cage, tamed only with my pride's overbearing voice. I am content with the hope that my mind has read your true feelings and that I need not crush this potential love that is unrestrained in my own eyes. I know that this love pounds the cage; demanding acknowledgement and understanding. I, however, cower back, with no intention on defining the true definition of this extensive love. This imitative passion dwells on presumptions and a given friendship. Why...Why...must I lie, and deny, that I die, in my uptake of a self-made truth? Dare I? Yes, I venture beyond my self-applied boundaries and stand face to face with a truth that I fear; a truth that will defy all my presumptions and smack me with what I dread to hear. Will this bettered-breath utter feelings that speak it? The moment has come... my downcast eyes are furthered into my soul as your words beat it with actuality. Wait...but what is this? Could it be? A bettered love than I had built? A more honest connection that can do nothing but build a love stronger than all that was thought possible? Yes, for it was this friendship that had not yet been finished

was finally diminished!

that won our hearts, as the lie I built

## Beyond My Sight...

Time slips away as I live on.

So many countless days spent
doing what I thought to be good.

Why oh why couldn't these days
be spent doing something that would outlast it.

Why couldn't my mouth emit
words that showed my spirit's depth.

These hidden secrets that weighed my heart
have not seen another soul
due to my arrogance that has blinded more than just my eyes.

My mute mouth mumbles a mutilating message that stills
fallen feelings of failure from furthering a fellow's faith.

Hollowed-hope, worthless, brokenness

define my existence in my own eyes.

Yet, beyond my mere mortal soul

I see a power that considers me whole.

A Love that dares not see a life of destruction

but pictures a simple step that has yet to be finished.

A Promise that fills my hollowed-hope,

A Life that has paid for my worthless creation,

and a Maker that pieces my brokenness

into a bettered-mold that can now resemble something better

than I have ever seen.

I could not think of a better story that has made my life serene.

## Birthing Love...

My heart beats with the utmost excitement as I begin to meet my dream. Her smile enlightens my days as I pass by the negativity with reverence that oversteps any doubt. The rebirth of my hopes brings light to a world that was thought to have been overshadowed for eternity and a day. My eyelids wince to the new light that has never been seen on a slate so clean while all my life I have been treading on the midpoint between Oh how this beauty that has blinded my eyes finally takes off its disguise to reveal a form that takes my breath away. I utter the feelings that I understand as others listen to a muted mouth. It is well worth the wait to withstand while others basked and boasted about breaking the barriers. For I see promise in the beauty that fills my eyes and a future built of trust and longing. This unity of time is building to be something better than hollowed relationships that blink while we stare; whisper while we shout; splitting while we join. For the day is young on this newborn as the world it slowly begins to adorn.

## **Blessing Indeed**

My eyes wince to the sight of a stunning young miss as my feet stumble to a rhythm that's run amiss Blinded by this vision I make the true decision that something of greater sight I could never envision Yet, I stand in her midst with not a word to utter but am caught in the confusion of truth that I stutter Oh, how her soul shines the purpose of creation dismissing dismay daily by avoiding temptation She stands against trials with hakuna matata passing each worry on without any drama Blessed I am to know a girl so fine that she blesses each life even the Divine Her eyes pierce my soul as she whispers hello a much awaited word that a reply I now owe Bewildered I reach out for a hand to hand embrace staring in complete awe at true beauty's place For now I have met a girl who brightens each day someone who will always be a praise when I pray

## **Blinded Faith**

I can't help but think about you every time I do something wrong I know that I all to often venture to a place I don't belong Why is temptation so appealing and the joy is so instant While the happiness and joy You offer always seems so distant Every where I look all I see is sin Am I that close minded that I can't even feel You within Every time I do Your will I seem to lose the fight Can't You show me the good in all that is right When I have sunk to the lowest of places I have seen Could you forget all my wrongs and wipe me clean Right now my trust is at the lowest its been Its as if my faith has been blinded by my sin Oh my God, please restore my belief give me all the relief I so desperately need

## Blue Eyed Girl

There she sits the blue eyed girl Little does she know that she is my world Her beauty consists of mulitple dimensions Each mirroring that she's God's greatest invention When she looks at me her eyes pierce my heart As my mouth starts to utter words that fall apart The feeling she drives into my soul Makes my mind lose control She is by far the definition of perfect Even the sound of her name makes my feelings surface Oh to be one with God's finest creation would cease this frustration and would ultimately bring my salvation So as I continue to stare deep in her blue eyes I slowly and painfully put on my disguise Why does it have to be this way where I can't show who I am All these colorful feelings that are growing from my stem I guess if I take a step and face my fears I can possibly move to a brand new fontier.

#### **Broken Trust**

That certain trust that We had bestowed has been ripped out with no purpose in mind but with a fickle destiny. Oh how it burned to know nothing and everything at the same time. The mere bond that we had confided and built on morality, was broken into millions of lies; that rained to fill my empty affections. If only I could turn the clock to reverse my feelings; hollowing my humbled heart of false hope. Forgiveness beckons my heart, while hate floods my mind. The pure intensity in this internal battle, mixes feelings to a point of no return, but just choice. Both options offer an appealing resolution that is conflicting my humanly single choice-chance. Which oh which, will offer the last dance?

# Characterized By Idiosyncrasies

Sitting still not a finger moving but conforming all the same Pressure pushes perfection from the simplistic mind Diminished in my presence is my importance but left is my artificial self built merely on others' opinions Facade after facade breaking down Stop, individualize the Idealism Movement catching butterfly-thoughts in the net of idiosyncrasies Fixating myself as a revolutionary Then and only then is my soul deepened and my step lengthened

#### Choice Of Choices...

Did you ever think that your life was bought with blood that your Savior's death on a cross was the second flood? Have you ever pondered on how much you mean to Him, the Prince of Peace who carries your sin? Has it crossed your mind that the scars on His back make up for your imperfections and the repentance you lack? At which point will it become crystal clear that Salvation's blockade was pierced with a spear? How much more proof do you need how much blood does He have to bleed until you take the Lord's request and His sheep, you begin to feed? The good Shepherd has shown the way to the place of grace where you'll forever stay. Take the challenge to be His voice look at your two options and make the right choice. For if you continue to live in the sin you create your back will forever bear sin's lasting weight.

## College Life

As we hit college we are lost in society We hit a point of endless anxiety All the pressure starts to kick in as we try to fit in when the real us seems to be trippin I enjoy the nice cafeteria food every minute I'm not cramming but when my vacation time comes the cafe hits some type of famine! After it hits students appetites start to become common in a sense that our diet is centered on top ramen The sleepless nights start adding up As our old hello turns in to what up! Us homies start going clubbin but somehow end up in nevada after some envious troublin Our old playing of sports become a intriguing game of stratego and the more we start to win the bigger gets our ego As the freedom hits as we become too old Our common defeat phrase becomes 'Dangit, I fold! ' The laws leaves a certified note that we are now eligible to vote well excuse me Mr. Govenator but I'd rather milk a goat During this time life is so-so Until we find that our old best friend

is now a homo
You'd think at this point
I could reach for the stars
But freakin Avis
wont let me rent a stinkin car
That ticks my clock
and makes me pissed
It starts to excite
my anger catalyst
So us young adults
may not be completely free
But at least us poor students
gets all the adult debris.

#### Condemnation

Dear Lord, it hurts me so much, every time I ignore the Master's touch. This pain splits my spirit into two pieces. The more I continue, the more it increases. My affections are hollow and so passing. Couldn't I just stop all this procrastinating. Can't I just focus on, all that is right, and start a fire inside, that my spirit will ignite? My heart breaks, as I turn my face, and do You such a disgrace. Strike my heart Lord, make it pure! Give me the will power, to resist for something more. Hold me as I fight, for the thing that is right. Push my existence to soar to new heights. If all I can do, is continue to condemn. Then I will remain, in my own sin.

#### Confidence

Ever shrivel back to the state of being second class where opinions don't matter but are just the mist of an ocean Idea after idea, shot down not with optimism but pure pessimism What is said is said and what is dead is dead To walk a road of potholes with no roadworkers for miles where grim faces turn their heads refusing to break any smiles Stuck in your own ideas equaled with peer rejection A point where little is said for the yeast in your bread is thinned out and appears to be dead Fiddle-faddling is what seems to be left as the whole world remains smugly deaf When will your vote count and body be risen to the full extent as to break free this prison How can a man of few words better his voice to utter thoughts of pure wisdom where his output be the input where his words fill the voids where his breath be cherished How far must one travel to get out of the second class reaching a degree where all assumptions are surpassed Confidence be the key in this riddle of esteem where pride and belittling is overcome by the simple word of team Grasping life not with earned pride

but appreciating the fellowship most hide
To find one who walks not in chains
but with authority that is shared;
for all to often, little is that cared
Confidence need not be limited
to the confines of a single soul
No, it should be experienced
and celebrated as a whole
A milestone where love be the basis
and pride be overtaken with pride
Need one shoot for the stars
without lights leading the way
and need you walk on someone else
in the present day

#### Contented Life...

Life is an interesting thing containing moments of despair and others that make you sing The trick is making joy out of whatever you face Looking at situations with intentional grace Life is to be lived to the full extent Grasping your current condition with a feeling of content To know that you're at your position for a reason and maybe these feelings that arise are only for a season Maybe during these times of despair where you feel that life isn't fair is a time of character building of which you're well unaware Maybe when these distraught feelings seem to worsen you are actually growing into a more stable person It is said that character builds most in difficult situations stregthening you even more on your emotional foundation So live it out sending forth a shout that you will no longer dwell in this prolonged drought Look at this life like an open book and speed ahead to catch it's hook Make others around see joy that's profound letting your contented life

become renowned
Don't hold out
for a day that's hidden
Keep pushing forward
to a promise already bidden
Because all you need
is what you believe
and that which you sow
you will also receive
So jump the gun
and start the race
run to the comfort
of the Divine embrace

### Cravings...

Cravings for satisfaction solidify my dreams as I hold them inside tainting their scream I toil the times maintaining a hopeful ambition chained in security sitting in vague disposition Chances whisk their way as I continue to fray trusting myself only when I pray Where oh where is the courage for which I strive when can I recover the heart that beats me alive Must I wallow in fear living through a career or quit this continuous fall with courageousness to adhere I chisel this stoned feeling with a hammer of a heart shaping a fearless journey which I choose to now impart For no longer will I remain in this state of shame but will speak out with trust that I have lit the flame

### **Dancing For More**

Why can't one dance as the sun fades away Bringing the beauty of night as the moon begins to sway All the fears and worries fading in the light of the moon Joy pouring from our hearts as our spirit He begins to swoon It leaves us free free from all that troubles us Bringing back our initial joy from when we first found Jesus Why do we need beauty to connect us with our past When He is always inside but our mind it somehow does surpass Can't we dance so that others will see Leaving them bewildered with our joy's simplicity Holy our heart is in His sight But when the world hits so fades our light Our one perfect truth leaves our mind as we search to find something to make us whole leaving us feeling refined This day may be vague existing only in our dreams But must we wait to start this dance until we see Heaven's beams

#### **Divine Duet**

Brought together by something Divine Held in complete unity in perfect design They were meant to walk side by side As two different worlds start to coincide The beauty found in their hand to hand connection Has given pure definiton to the word perfection The way they walk with such grace traveling off at their own set pace Oh if only creation had what they had then this distraught world wouldn't be so sad Instead passion would be the only thing alive and the world's ideal love would be revived The streets would glisten as the rest of the world listens to this promise of love finally being christened This love would overshadow the pain and quilt of which this world has artificially been built Instead they would bring Earth a glimpse of Heaven and to this vision of love it would finally give leaven So if you want to see what love should really be look at this couple

that was divinely decreed

### Divine Eyes...

Oh Lord my God clear my vision Make me focus on closing this division Let me see with Your eyes allowing feelings to surmise and refining my sight to reveal a perfected surprise Wash my blind eyes Lord make them clear Expose them to a beauty that prompts joyful tears These eyes tend to see nothing but pain In a world that is flooded with rain Let me view this world with a heart like Yours Looking past the distaste of all the internal wars Let my mind focus on each and every highlight shining forth new stars into the black of the night Make Your flowers bloom and my mind consume nature's beautifully enhanced seasonal costume Push my vision to exceed the afflicitons brushing them against my hopes creating positive friction God what must I do to see through Your view and construct a future that You want me to pursue Please make the answer simplistic but with a result that's artistic cause I know in the end

Your design is optimistic
So I wait here with an open mind
to hear Your advice
knowing that in the end
the answer will be concise

### **Divine Forgiveness**

The path of forgiveness was hard to find it inspired an act that became divine This one act in which He was exchanged should of inspired you to really change You may try your hardest and continue to fail but if you always apologize you will forever prevail When your forgiven you ought to be driven into an on-going presence for which you should of been living Asking God to wipe your slate clean shouldn't be a routine but should be followed by getting off the sinful trampoline Give your wrongs to God who always pardons Do it before your heart completely hardens His continual grace will wash you white and the Spirit which you accepted will make you right Your worries will become faded temptations will be jaded and your life will become much more consecrated Just take the step and begin to repent making God's forgiveness live out to its full extent For God gave you grace through His only Son and the forgiveness He offers

can never be outdone
God always asks
if you want to be washed pure
and it will always happen
if you just reply 'For sure! '

#### **Divine Intervention**

Here I live on Earth, for something much more. Something for which I'd fight and even die for. This certain Existence, always seems so distant, yet is and always will be forever persistent. A power that makes me fight the great fight. A God who's mere presence, makes my heart contrite. He gives me this feeling, that I cannot contain. Making my wrongful intentions, become abstained. His own will He gives, for me to uphold, and in return, I give Him my life to mold. He has every right, to shape my spirit, and I'll make sure when He's done, others can hear it. He makes me alive, and thrive, for something more in this life. I'll forever be His, and He'll forever be mine. And though my life's path is twisted, with His path it is intertwined.

### **Divine Path**

I walk the divine path that is straight and narrow I take step after step with agrovating pain pushing my limbs to the limit as my strength begins to drain Yet I walk with eyes focused on the prize looking past each problem that does arise Continuing I stumble over the divoted course with aguish haunting my mind I hold no remorse Inch by inch my stature increases as my broken heart unites all the pieces When oh when will I end each intentional sin making peace within At which point will my pace of pride be in step with the Humbled Stride On and on the path extends as my wandering mind is making amends My patience seems to wear thin as I gradually strengthen within Satanic Wants yell at me to merge off the path as the Godly Needs lead me away from Satan's wrath Willingly and unwilling

I tread this route
ignoring the Wants'
fading shouts
The longer I walk
the faster I go
the stronger I become
as the love base grows
I will push, press, and perservere
through each and every tear
to the promise
that is ever near

# **Every Graceful Touch**

Every broken smile
every endless mile
every divine call
which we forget to dial
We want that moment
when we can be free
a graceful touch
that is forever guaranteed
As we shoot for innocence
and continue to miss
Our sight becomes hazy
and we forget this

Every graceful touch that we are given Is divinely inspired by the God Who's forgiving

Your heart cries out
your faith's doubt
as your heart strives
to become devout
The purity that you desire
is burned by Satan's fire
as you continue to walk
the dividing wire
This dividing wire
blocks the one thing thats true
Breaking this promise
that we continue to lose

Every graceful touch that we are given Is divinely inspired by the God Who's forgiving

To wash your hands pure clearing sin from your mind is to experience a moment that is divine
A touch of grace
that purifies your existence
and an endless second of mercy
that is forever persistent
Again and again
we battle this fight
and again and again
we lose this sight

Every graceful touch that we are given Is divinely inspired by the God Who's forgiving

Couldn't you just give it all up to your God no longer putting your trust in this material facade Oh to be one with the only Creator and beginning to work on making your path straighter If you just give Him your all breaking down this wall He will save you from the endless fall

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# **Fading Light**

As humanity sees the last glimmer from the sun of its time reaching a point where eternity lays in the hand of the Divine A mere second when the years of one's life are brought out with a judgmental consequence based on one's questioned doubt Where mortality is based on reality and one's extended vitality will not cease a fatality because of the morality hospitality Instead, this point of choice holds its own voice of utter agony or an endless rejoice Choose wisely oh shipwrecked friend for the time will arrive when you seek amends Be the moral man that your life is made to be and choose to follow what you cannot see Faith be the basis on which you will walk Love be the motivation in which you talk Base life on a promise that was bidden through a cross make something plentiful out of all that was lost Hold to what you know to be true being one of the contracting few that will see a new light at the end when you meet the Jew

#### Faith Be The Basis...

My heart is racked as I fall back in repeat Tasting the lure of sin that remains oh so sweet Conflicted to the point of self-drawn pity rescripting the prolonged idealistic ditty Cut to the heart I journey on passing the hope of the breaking dawn Guilt stakes its claim boasting its troubled blame as my mind whirls round unwilling to unframe Doubt blurs my vision as darkness takes its toll blanketing the Word as it drowns my soul If only there were a way to break free this routine changing the characters and brightening the scene A way in which everything is lost yet all is found When my back is freed and to another burdens are bound Where my eyes are cleansed as I seek my amends joyful times where sins are no longer penned The only way in which I can reach this far off oasis is to take my belief to heart and make faith be my basis

### Falling Forward

Day after day I fall flat on my face relying wholeheartedly on God's grace These burdens that trouble me this pain that stings pushing me deeper in a whole burying the hope I cling All I tend to do in these horrifying situations is approach it nervously adding more complication Oh, I hear this remorsing sound as I continue to pound this guilted stake deeper in the ground Falling back again and again wallowing in pity that beats my vein Must this be the way in which my life ends or dare I search an alternative and seek amends Can a mere mortal soul such as myself seek repentance pushing wrongs off the shelf Blessed be the day when I learn from my mistakes and uproot this ever paining, grounded stake Where opportunity kisses my face and my wrongs are erased only to bring me to a state of eternal embrace A place where stability will make me stand tall where forward be the only way

in which I now fall

# Flowers' Purpose

The flower sits in the shadows as the sun begins to fade Slowly the darkness arrives in the heavy dark shade It waits one more time for the light to come again Preserving its beauty for the children to stare within As the new light reflects its fervent attempt to glimmer The flower's purpose grows even slimmer It's desire to be a niche in the beauty of God's mold Is the same as being the object of affection for somebody to hold Every day it begs to be picked and every day its endeavor is kicked

### Going Back

To hold you one more time To know that deep down inside you are truly mine If only I could feel the warmth of your embrace and feel your forgiveness making my wrongs erased If I could just love you the same as I did before being that one person who you aloned adored All the times we had the happy and the sad. That certain way you made good from bad The passion that formed inside our souls Making us feel like we were finally whole The intensity that made my life a treat The way your simple touch could lift me off my feet You made my life complete and my character proud because everytime I was with you my head was in the clouds If only it could go back to the way it had been Then our friendship wouldn't be so thin, and maybe...just maybe we could start over again.

#### Hakuna Matata

The hope for tomorrow shines its beacon as I fall back into the comfort of angels Blessed I am, and Holy I feel For the day has just begun on a life of passed sorrows and new orgin where I will bask in the heavenlies brought with pure ecstasy to meaning Why break myself through trouble inside a worried bubble when a life based on promise makes importance double. 'Hakuna Matata' I say as I welcome the new day No worries, just trust No regret, just learned lessons True I walk in myself scattered with thought mingled in a battle of truth yet to be fought But heavy my shield of faith and strong the sword of love as it pierces the concerns that burden my life thereof For to pace a life in negativity I confuse a chance of change For change is the only thing that remains of permanent exchange Must we drag out the day in a state of pure pain or strive for the worry-free status so difficult to attain?

#### **Handiwork**

Two flowers sway in the wind to the breath that speaks. The beauty surpasses customized destruction brought by the fault of man. There they rock, back and forth, no worries, no regret, no mistakes, no threat; pure innocence to the real truth. These flowers show more sincerity in their short-lived existence than many show in man-made mistakes. This handiwork from the Immortal above, was shaped with the feeling of love. The beauty found in simplistic things breaks all barriers that condemn us. Yet here we stand, oblivious to these facts. Must we wallow in such pain, in search of peace so easy to attain, and in this passing confound, we'll forever remain? Oh, just to pass by an opportune moment missing the power of His work guided through this fault with a prided smirk. Or do we relinquish our superbia to the sound that shakes the leaves; conforming in righteousness to simplicity's value as to pick the flower, feel the power, and the handiwork of God, ultimately empower.

# Her Humbled Hope

I see her sitting while the whole world breaks apart with hopeless anguish shattering its existence into material matter. Her vision stays steadfast as these issues attempt to force a wince out of a steady assurance. Yet, she holds her head high looking beyond the bitter past and onto the bright future. Her character defines her life, pushing the afflictions off the edge of realization and onto the floating clouds of hope. Her focus breaks the bounds that pain draws, opening the doors of opportunity and letting nothing but joy and happiness in. This distinct life of love and trust brings forth a promise that goes beyond every promise ever made. She is not the author of this promise, but a mere reflection through a life that sees what others choose not to see; influencing what others have not already influenced. What I really picture is a light, that shines so bright,

that it brings her Hope an immortal delight.

#### Heroes

In life we all strive to be something essential Trying to stretch our limits to the full potential We want to be that one person who others admire becoming the idol that will always inspire We all carry this flame to better our name and be the influence that is always proclaimed Yet we cut ourselves short throwing our ambitions aside Having a self-condemnation that makes us fall back and hide We feel the world creeping up and saying that we can't putting a dimmer on our idealistic rant They say no you can't be the hero you have and always will amount to being a zero Its like they put a label that heroes only save Only heroes will fix the problems and keep people from their grave But did you ever think that maybe your life is that maybe your superpower is being a whiz All the time you spend out helping others teaching, disciplining friends and brothers may actually save them from their own sin making them feel whole

and refined again Perhaps all the time you sit and humbly listen May be the time that you most glisten All the countless hours you kneel and pray can possibly be pushing your friend's cancer away Maybe the modesty that you carry out Is turning you into a hero without a doubt And maybe you should give yourself more credit than you get Because you will always be a hero even if you don't want to admit

### Holiday Humor

Joy fills the air as smiles plaster the faces in the season of rejoicement of many graces The bells chime in unison as the choirs echo the church gifts are unraveled for the true treasures search So much joyous effort put into a time of love as the birth of the Lord takes position thereof The many bells jingle as the townfolk mingle with the paramedics awaiting Santa's slip on the shingle Carrots and fruit bits line the roof in a peculiar design for little Tommy is feeding Rudolph and is nearing life number nine Fredrick peeks down the stairs to look at his newfound skis received with the hint of a circled magazine and a month of eaten peas Alice awakens to find a shiny tea set at the bottom of the tree That'll last a month I do bet as Baby Joey goes on a tantrum spree We see the True Saint Nick's attempt to spread cheer being stopped by the cops with the claim of drunk driving and a sleigh of Egg-Nog cups filled to the top Frosty the snowman follows his hat that flies into the 24 Hour Fitness womb he bends over and trips into the sauna where he meets his puddled doom The elves rejoice as they take their trip into the California's Disneyland but come out depressed and rideless

for they did not reach the hand Mrs. Clause works her buttocks off on the Slimfast diet For it was her husband's yelling infomercial that started this riot The lighting of the Menorah by the accompanying Christmas tree's branch burns the universalist's living room down in this wide spectrumed ranch But oh the joy of the season will continue to forever lift until Mama will eventually find Rudolph's unwrapped gift Take this time of joyous overflowing love and try to be a blessing For don't be downing His season with a time of constant depressing

### Homework!

Oh why do you pain me driving me to the point of insanity You're way too big for my little mind Your complexity and length are starting to intwine But I will defeat you at my own set pace I'll be sure to wipe that smirk off your revealing face You will feel the wrath of my tiny little pencil as I reconfigure your failure stencil You will try and fail and I will push and avail You are short to live you poor, poor, classwork Because this week you will have your last smirk!

### **Imagination**

When you start to sit down and imagine, you are reaching into a world that you can't fathom. Creating a sense that goes, beyond the common thought. Making some distant dream, yearned to be sought. If only we could travel down to our hearts, and reach for our passions, it will create a desire that is your soul's only ration. In this unique moment, you are gazing beyond reality, and digging down to what you feel, is the ultimate morality. It is a time, when your soul and mind touch, Creating an imagination, that becomes your dream's crutch. It is beyond words, to imagine your ambitions. These unusual hopes, give your life its definition. So don't be afraid to think out-of-the-box. Because sometimes its those brilliant ideas, that will leave others in utter shock.

# **Imagined But Unfathomed**

I sit back and wait my time Waiting for someone to be mine I pray with all my heart That she'll be faithful to the end Anticipating that she'll become My very best friend Even though it will Take an extra day It's well worth the wait And of value to pray I hope to have a fervent love That doesn't walk the wire. But to have someone set in my dreams, A love I truly desire. I want a sincere love who'll share my belief But differ in opinion. A girl that will not follow Or embrace dominion. All I want is a girl I can never fathom. So far, this person I can only imagine.

#### In Search...

There's a feeling of isolation deep inside my soul Longing to be joined so its heart can beat out of control The love that keeps it alive lives only inside and thrives on bursting free and finding my guide I want it to break free and get out Changing into absolute belief from complete doubt Give me the faith that can move my heart Giving me that urge to be different and set apart All I know is that I'm lost and don't have a cause Always searching to be the one who gets all the applause Show me what it is that I really need And touch my eyes so the blind will finally see Whoever you are whatever you represent Show me who I am and the reason which I was sent All I seem to find in life are the material facades But what I truly need is a real God.

# Independent Transcedence...

I stand with anguish burning in my soul. So much brokenness burdening my heart. The reason you may understand, or be completely clueless to. Its loneliness that makes my world seem like a life not lived. Yeah there's friends during times, pumping you up in your prime, but why is it that they tend to dissipate when your foot's set on a hill to climb. Oh how I despise those moments when I walk a solitary path; no stops, no refuge...just hurt. At some point, friends go their own way coming back only for brief periods. It brings me to the brink of tears to feel as if I had no one to live with, except myself. No one to share instances of pure joy but my God. True is He'll be there for you when your sails fall down, pushing you with His love in the sea of solitude; but He can't physically embrace us as our pictures fade. No, no, no...it is during these moments when we build our foundations to withstand the storms; to persevere past problems and settle in solitude with strength. How regretful you may feel as you're beaten down but why frown? Can't you become something greater than what you perceive; something that will make you light a candle in the dark to brighten your own world. If you can, if you have...you did it all You have become wholly transcendent, you have become fully independent!

#### **Jesusfreak**

My heart grows faint as my faith slips away no longer is my willingness to kneel down and pray All the hope which I had put into the umbrella of You has become transparent as if your Son, were only a jew Where is the passion that defined who I am why has my life's devotion seem to have become a sham If only I could continue to embrace this unfailing grace not losing my place but just resetting my pace I know that the Lord will always be the same with His glory surpassing the title we proclaim Lord, strike me with reality readjusting my mentality to the notion that no matter how I feel you overcame fatality You touched the Heavens for three measly days rising up from the dead to affirm righteous praise Oh, what I would surrender to embrace You so tender and be brought to my knees humbled by your splendor What I have always felt is that I am forever blessed but please just grant me this final request Lord, reshape my praise into a never failing shriek proving to the others

that I'm a 100% JesusFreak!

# **Lacking Sincerity**

When you need something it brings you to your knees. Praying the same old prayer, always ending with a please. Your prayers often lack sincerity and the offering of love. How could you disreguard, something so real? Coming to Him with words you don't even feel. Don't you surrender every night, give Him your heart to mend? Is He not your God? Your serious friend? Did he not send His Son, to start the new trend? How much does His heart have to break, before you can comprehend? That He died for you to live. How much more love does He have to give?

# Left...Or Right???

Timid hearts bow in unison to the resurrected promise blown away by majesty and left gaping, with a truth that stands. All doubt, overtaken; all presumptions, mistaken; all false hope, forsaken. The pure agony that beats the mere mortal souls as passitivity takes its toll Overlooked chances in which shifts were probable Failed gambles where fortune be sought over compassion to be wrought Left are petty deeds that were done not for the good but for pride won Sin again and again with no question of what could have been Punctured problems pile as horrified hearts humble and all that's left is the question did you ever give the confession For the path to the cross may be rather violent but worse are the words that are kept silent

#### Let Me Be...

When You're gone I feel so alone I can see no shadow but I'm left on my own Clueless, abandoned is all I feel Everything is fake nothing's real Can I live without You or is that a stupid question Are You my life or just a suggestion Can I feel for anyone else or am I just chasing thin air Is there anyone else for whom I'll care I know You have always been by my side but why is it that when I'm hurt You seem to hide Is it cause You can't help the very things You created Or is it the possibility that Your love has finally faded At moments like these I'm feeling so faint Take my canvas, my life and begin to paint Make me into something that is worth while Help inspire me to stand and face my own trials Give me the power to change all I've done Hold me and give me the feeling that we're one Take these tears that fall down on the floor Making them alive

and falling for something more I need to realize that You'll always be there and that sometimes its me that's not being fair I have to be the change I wish to see and make things agree in the mind that oh so troubles me Even though I should take this alone I now realize that its on Your back my troubles are thrown But let me not fade away and leave You with the loss Let me join beside you and help carry my own cross

## Life Once Again

To be a child once more. Looking at life, as an open door. Wondering with endless questions, and to examine each and every suggestion. To humble my knowledge and exalt my decisions. Experiencing once again, life's many incisions. To be loved by everyone and know life isn't done. Understanding and living to the full extent To realize the purpose, for which I was sent.

# Life Struggles

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A Parent may lose their son, A man may leave his wife. These are struggles We may encounter in life. A struggle is like a challenge We all must face. The only way to prevail Is to do it with God's grace. Sometimes you have to feel, Before you can heal. With a lack of issues, There would be no strength. You have to run the extra mile To reach a goal's length. Without hurt, There would be no gain. Sometimes the best answers, Come through pain.

#### Line Of Faith

Its so hard, being stuck in the middle. Its feels like my life, is a living unsolved riddle. I am at a certain point, in the midst of a phase. Where I am not in the black or white, but I am stuck in the gray. I want to choose, to be on a certain side, not jumping back and forth, unwilling to abide. I know my wants, and I know my needs. I understand what will make me fail, and what will make me succeed. There's two voices, and I have one choice, but all this noise, leaves me in a state of poise. I need to drain all the bad, and leave all the good. But often the right decision, is misunderstood. I am stuck on the line, between right and wrong. One my heart stands by. and the other my human nature longs. The one thats easy to attain, will bring nothing but pain, and make me remain in this state of refrain. Yet, if I strive for the one, that seems to weigh a ton, it will leave that easy wrong, completely outdone. So I come back to the same situation, caught between the good and bad temptations. Will I walk the straight but narrow path

or will I take a vacation

### **Lost Identity**

Lost is what I am and what I continue to be Straying from facade to facade wondering which one is me Who is the one that I am suppose to become am I suppose to be intellectual or just plain dumb My eyes are blinded with what society stresses forcing me to try on a multitude of dresses Each one has its goods and bads swaying me from happy to sad but again I keep falling victim to the ongoing fad What am I if I can't be independent when will I stretch the limits and become transcendent At which point will the candle be lit and I can finally bridge this gap in my identity split But what if I am following the wrong craze and I am really lost in a self-created maze What if this ideal person that I stive to turn into Is in fact the person who I already knew Perhaps, who I am is what I am searching for and this may be the time when I start rowing both oars Maybe if I keep my desired motive in step with my personality then my mind and soul

might reach ulitmate rationality
So maybe being myself
is the wisest choice
because who could guide me better
than my own voice

# **Maxed Conception**

Visions cloud my head surpassing its very essence Spurting forth ideas that my mind does condense Innovative sparks that travel the brink of rationality compromising knockoffs and dodging originality Oh how I search for the right train of thought as my soul deteriorates as inspiration is overwrought The tendency to obliterate all else, pushing accusations off the shelf, and leaving my art as a reflection of myself. Shortlived may be this joy for it may just be a decoy that shots of excitement deploy but later are destroyed Push my buttons oh concious of mine for I will learn to fly and on my own willed choice I will begin to rely Pressing on with all faith in my own actions content in my mind that I'll reach satisfaction Deep thoughts and talents will speak the reality I make shooting up brows, dropping mouths as even professors shake For the true art of the human soul is found in the least likely place for it is then when mastered conceptions leave their lasting trace

## Midnight Mile...

We all want to take the midnight mile where we can drive away from every trial We hop in the car skidding out on the tar ready to travel only God knows how far The trees wizz past blurring as we gain speed as we separate our wants from our needs The music blares and all our cares get lifted up to Him in our prayers The moonlight hits and our path is clear Our thoughts and emotions become sincere The worries fade as the joy invades everythings so perfect there's no reason to be afraid We discover our true identity as we hit serenity and our life becomes focused on these simple amenities Each heart beats loud and strong Dancing to the rhythm of its own love song The joy keeps building as we take the midnight mile and something appears is it a smile? Yes, its a signal that perfection has been found Its at this point

in which we can turn around Because the midnight mile has been completed and the distress and headaches have been defeated

## Mirrored Image...

To see the face of God rarely occurs through a human. Seldom is His reflection seen so pure as to not know at which point the mirror image leaves mortality and becomes of angelic nature. At which point will her passion for others, for her sister and brothers, be seen so clean as to end up serene. Oh, the admiration I have for this expression of beauty that passes by mere objectivity and lands beyond what we call human. But there it lies, pure of nature and focused on ideal perfection. She walks with such grace and promising hopes. Pushing not for the simplistic answer but the hard striven truth. To seek the beyond, and press for the unanswerable is not of human extent, but is of a Godly scent. A fragrance that flows to the point of no return; a sight the blinds even the vision of angels; a creation that God looks to in remembrance of what the meaning of hope stands for. Need not she speak to inspire a shift, sending all of man's mind adrift, to a land of humbled words where her mere sight be the gift. The stoned footprints that she leaves behind, inspire many of which, haven't entered time. This beauty breaks boundaries that one ought to own; stirring some stimulation from sandprints to stone. Ultimately, to find oneself in her midst will be the answer to all questions, and to one day approach her face to face

will be at an anticipated discretion.

## **Momentary Joy**

This joy that resides, down to my very bones, is crying out and replacing all the painful moans. All the pain is gone, each worry has faded. These memories that were unfit, have become jaded. My wounded heart, which had hit the very edge, was purified, as it teetered life's ledge. The anguish that had been haunting, my mind's narrow thoughts. have finally thrown in the towel and become overwrought. This joy that brings my smile, which I haven't felt in awhile, gives me the reassurance, that I have finally beaten my trial. The relief it gives, rests my innermost soul, giving a chance for my spirit and personality, to take a much needed stroll. The freedom that my mind has to be completely inventive, have brought back my dreams, giving my hopes its sought incentives. If only I could forever, feel this sensation. Being swept away by the on-going good vibration. This feeling may not last till tomorrow, but this pleasure I hope to borrow, when my joyfulness goes back to life's yielded sorrow.

## My Inner Pain

Why does my whole world seem to crumble right before my eyes? Why does it seem that for everything I gain part of me dies? Can't I just be normal and have a life full of some joy. Or do I have to keep this fake smile on and act like an ok kind of boy. I feel like I am always the one, who is left on the bench. Thriving for a friendship and love that would make my pain quench. When I met You, oh God, I thought everything was over. That I need not stress, or compress, this mess, that my life still continues to address. Every night I pray to You that all my inner anguish would cease. Hoping with my whole heart to have nothing left but peace. I pray You'll fix all the worries, the fears, and my own broken heart. Helping me to look past all the mistakes I made and the problems that have torn me apart. The only thing that keeps me from throwing in the towel. Is the promise of our eternal existence that You, for some reason will allow. I know that my life's scale has fallen more than it has risen. I now understand that You are the only key, that can unlock this perpetual prison. Right now Father I'll pay whatever pain it may cost. Realizing that without You, my whole life would be lost. I beg You now, God, for my heart to have a different season.

And these tears that well up, to fall for a different reason.

### My Sister

We were born different in each and every way. Yet, without you, I could not live another day. I wish I could have been better. A better brother, a better friend. I wish that every wound I made, I could somehow mend. Throughout our lives our relationship has wavered. Alot of it should be forgotten but some I have savored. Those times when we embraced and you gave me grace, looking past my faults and considering them erased. We have had so much separation over a vast amount of time. So many hills and obstacles that we both had to climb. The great thing is, that we have both persevered. All the wrongs that was, have now seemed to disappear. The love you have so humbly shown me could never be topped. It seems that all the tension between us has been stopped. Ever since we became friends, I have rejoiced in my heart. Without you in my life, I would be torn apart. Kelsey, without you I would not be complete. I could never have a better friend, that is as sweet.

## **Mysterious Road**

I take to the open road giving second thought on where I stand. For the man who is sure who he is, lies to himself and beckons recognition. Truth be it that we all lie in a state where surety falters to the benefit of the traveler. For if we take to the road ahead with insight, we lose depth. If we walk with clarity, we break mystery. To be the wanderer of pure faith is keen to the world's question marks. So walk past knowledge and into enigma; for the treasure you seek is not that which is expected, but that which astonishes.

#### **Nature Of Evil**

Evil spans throughout the Earth on the daily basis. So much pain and agony pounding on Mercy's door and painting a picture of doubt. Doubt not in ourselves but in the nature of God Oh how we point the finger at the Wise of Wise assuming that our own fate in His hand lies The pure objectivity that floods our minds blocks out the freed will we hold We seem to neglect the Creator when joy comes our way But when anguish breaks the bounds so comes hate we convey How can a God, Who gave us choice change freedom, contradicting His Own voice The accusation would then change to His faking a freed choice promise and we would stand with all the more fingers pointing His way. Can't you accept the fact that the picking of the fruit changed our path of eternal salvation to a hand picked route? God does not put evil in our lives nor does He bring intentional harm He does not put the gun in our hand or the scares on our arm He chose to love us through all the rejection and its up to our own will to mirror His reflection For the only evil that walks this earth are in those who don't honor their secondary birth

Those who choose to walk in sin will continue to wrong again But if we treat others the way we want to be treated We will tread perfected ground in which evil is defeated We'll reach a point where Heaven kisses Earth and pure ecstasy reigns. Where angels now walk and actions talk where wrongs are written in perishable chalk For when we can accept that we are the problem we'll have reached a status in which we can solve them.

#### One More

As I walk the road, that He has set. I think to myself, 'I have not fulfilled my debt. I need to show one more the source of my hope. Then and only then will I finish my life's scope.' I watch others, filled with passion. While my own world, seems to be crashing. My concious tells me, 'There is one more person, one more soul, that continues to worsen.' I look in the mirror, wondering who it could be? Who am I overlooking, that needs the peace of the Trinity? I studied my sour face, wondering who needs to be embraced, and acknowledge God's grace? Who is bone dry, in their spiritual love? Who is facing this problem, and can't find the solution thereof? I beat myself up, knowing there is one more. One's spirit, who doesn't soar. The more I look at the situation, the less I remember my foundation, and so comes more complication. What can I do to feed this starvation? God keeps telling me, there's one more. One depressed person, who I still ignore.

The more I think, the more it becomes clear. Maybe the person who is deprived, is looking at me in the mirror?

### One More Chance

Give me one more chance to right my wrongs Please forget my mistakes and make me strong Clear my vision to see straight down the path Help rid me of my sins and away from Satan's wrath Hold me through all the pain and give me the strength Inspire my heart to go to new lengths Father, just extend your grace so I can see your face Give me one more chance to right all my trespasses Watching the glory of God as my understanding it surpasses

### One More Step...

Broken and bruised you walk with such great intent Breaking all the lies that form your path; you stand. You better your stride as the walk goes on with His light leading you to the breaking dawn Oh the pain you must feel with each and every step as you fall to your knees without a breath left Holy your heart has become to the Light that paved your way as your sight was distanced with such aggravating pain His promise has held your pace becoming the one oasis in this life race But oh how the great the feeling as the living water streams down your throat Your almost there with calloused feet that force you to walk on your knees As the light grows dimmer you see but another shimmer a moving light that is coming near as your motivation seems to disappear But wait, could this be is it the One who signed the heavenly decree He who put Himself on a cross and whose signature was His own blood maybe you could see better if your eyes weren't in a tearful flood One more step to end this fate

with one more prayer before Heaven's gate.

### **Out Of Reach**

When you hide the Earth stops. The light grows dim, as the air winds down. Colors fade, even off a clown Shame becomes such a consistant thing. The birds are silent they no longer sing. When you hide, the flowers fall aside, there's no longer a tide, It's as if the whole world has died. When you hid, I felt alone, as if I had no home and I wonder as I write this poem. Where you have gone, and how much farther I have to run?

## **Overbearing Love**

Love trembles in my heart as I breakdown, wanting a return that'll piece my heart into one. Building a passion that burns purely on zeal. Take me and make me into a man that doesn't rely on his wants but holds to what he needs. Separate these countless words in my mind to form the perfect story of love. Rearrange the letters over and over till they appeal to my Need's heart. Let the words flow forth, down the stream of joyful tears that flood my heart to the brink of rationality. On and on my soul beckons for completion as my mind conforms to content. Break free oh love! Give me a passionate flow into a world that I cannot fathom. I beg this unity develops her world into mine, yet I tend to forget, that perfecting love sometimes takes time.

#### Paint Me A Picture...

Paint me a picture make it anyway you desire Don't worry about your design there is no style required Make it big and bright stretching for miles on end Have it reflect your feelings or be a sketch of your friend Draw what is in your heart at this very instance Don't be shy go the distance Be loud or soft deep or shallow Make it full of emotion or completely hollow Give it your all just answer the call give in to what you want because long is the fall If you want to risk your eternal dwelling To paint your picture to what you think is selling You are free to do it ...or you could say screw it! Instead you have every God given right To restart your picture with a bucket of white Whitewashing away all the messes that left it stained Making a clean slate in a way that can't be explained You probably ask how can this grace be given Well my friend just pray to be forgiven.

#### **Patient Heart**

I wait here patiently, for a friend out of time. What I don't take in hand, are facts of truth. Athough I may fear it. Patience is more supernatural than an eager spirit. Even though I await with a warm feeling in mind, I have to accept that it takes time. The more time, the more hope. Yet, as time goes breezing by, you have to cherish every second for it is my, thoughts that count. Your sweet voice keeps me on my toes, and your extreme faith blooms like a rose. Although time still awaits, I have forgotten the calendar, and the dates.

#### Peer Pressure

Standing in the crowd feeling all alone, I search for my place my social home. So many ways to go, so little time to lose. I have to find my place; I have to choose. Will I be a jock, or will my grades be a lock? Will I be the emo that wishes he could rock. So many voices, offering so many choices, can't I just drain all these conflicting noises? Even though, I could be any one that catches my attention, none of them really fit my own personal dimension. All give me a facade, that only others applaud, when in fact, it doesn't please my God. The one Whom helped me shape who I really am. The Love who didn't care if I did or did not fit in. He defines my character and gives me my delight, inspiring a drive, to finish the fight. He gives me something I have never had before. Pushing me to a side of myself I have never explored. So why do I strive to be someone I am not? When the real person I am

is the person I forgot.

#### Perfected Pace

I walk in a plain of sorrows, each step forced with the idea of contentment. Burdensome features mark the path as I conform to the idea that nothing need be done. The lies hurt as I give way to pain that subsides even the biggest of facades. Again and again I persuade myself that these issues be put on a shelf. My eyes are forced down as I look in the dreaded mirror, afraid to confront the only person in which I fear. Why oh why must I lie, and deny, giving up all hope on a second try. At which point will all passivity be passed beyond my passive past. When will the desired truth be told and hold to being bold as my pride starts to fold. How much farther must I run with my sins on my back, burdening and breaking the only strength that holds me up. The lies that I form, seem to transform, into separated ways as my heart is torn. Belittling myself is what it has come down to, as I walk in my own shadow to the last sunset of truth. But must that be the way to give out or can I rearrange my fate of doubt. Could a sinner like me, finally break free, raising the heat of passion, to another degree. Yes, I will be better than myself shoving the issues off the shelf. I will begin to pack

these wrongs in a sack,
to pass on to my Savior's back.
I will push past relativity
and reach for immortality.
For now all the strides
of my past facades,
will fall into the footsteps
of my Saving God.

## **Pointless Pointing**

Discernment passes over my concentrated mind assuming the next steps with knowledge that is blind I call out these thoughts and break my perceptions tantalizing others' moves with voices of deception Lies swivel astray into situations I weigh when my motivation to cease has sadly faded away Brought to the point where judgement prevails as I swing the hammer and further the nails Why do I sit and guage strangers behavior while knowing in my heart its distaste that I savor May it be my strive to be the best Surpassing mild manners curving the test Do I put my acquisition into divine intuition laying perfectly content in this depraved disposition When will the day arrive to which I lay down my whip marking the divoted path to which I have tripped Making a route of purified intentions settling falls with loving interventions Let this be the day in which this decay no longer shines darkness

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For pointing out a speck
in the eye of the unknown
is pointless you see
when there's a log in your own

# Promising Daze...

My heart throbs in search of its intent Seeking the piece of the puzzle for which it was meant It begs for me to find the perfected miss with whom I'll make stories of which I'll want to reminisce These feelings burden my heart by telling me there is little time only a short period in which I can find who's to be mine The girl who'll bring sunshine on the cloudiest of days turning these moments of lone regret into a much awaited praise All these mixed impressions that are still in question seem to fall victim to a materialized discretion Yet, I will break the bounds opening both my eyes Facing fear with feelings that are willing to surmise Because love is not to be caught but is to be built on feelings unknown and into a crazed world you will be pleased to be thrown So I stand here, facing my fear waiting for my love to appear so we can make a perfected couple in a relationship that is sincere

# **Purifying Passions**

Passion is built on the soul's intent Formed by the focus of the mind Shaped with the heart and it's beloved facets The mere endeavors sculpt the internal being opening eyes to the problematic evil passions dwelling in others Push past these fellows' faults not with judgment but a clarifying innovation made of pure passions that are resolute in the Perfecter's mind Bringing light to a darkened soul is the basis of true passion that ought to burn with zeal in the heart of the lovers of the Lamb So burn on avid adventures with not your own but God's will lifting your chins one by one

### **Purity**

To live a life devoted to a single soul is the righteous devotion to staying whole Your heart, mind, and spirit are joined as one in the perfect gift that can't be outdone This dedication of wholeness that had been planned has the Godly reward which you will now understand Purity is a righteous cause that is hard to attain its one of the hardest commitments to maintain But that one second at the altar when two spirits merge into one is the time when your temptations are finally outdone Its at this point when you have done the unthinkable and that ship that you sailed is declared as unsinkable This unaltered love is more than enough and has persevered to be perfection thereof This completeness given in such neatness is received by your love with the same sweetness You have brought joy to you and your spouse So go and lock yourselves in the bedroom of your house

# Reaching In Faith...

I stare in the mirror at the reflection that's painted trying to forget all the dismay that left it tainted The eyelids begin to droop in this pained impression as the hope that lies within is overtaken with depression Oh the despair that racks my soul and deepens this routine hole Blessed my life is to a synchronized level but when is the time when the Lord will revel Revel a life lived plastered in purified pain stretching beyond this degree of functionalized strain Must I wallow in this lake of opportunities that are faked or break the chains to this grounded stake Loosen the limits break the bounds unvirginize these deaf ears to joyed unison sounds Shuffle these procedured tunes into a remix based on love Showing me the light of my life in a unpredicted shove Let me dance in rejoice to the refined voice of the destined one that is of final choice This day seems so vague and out of human reach but let the Divine intervene

with a lesson of faith to teach

#### Redeemed Road...

Burdened no more I walk a free-flowed path, each step guided by blinded faith. Need not worry but embrace my stumbles. For if I had continued on my way, holding to dismay, I would have no ending, and be led astray. Yet I stroll the path with clarity and optimism. Clarity on who I am, who I am to be; with an optimistic out turn gleaming the truth. A truth that defies definition and loosens Its label. A promise built on faith alone. Dare I walk in His presence but lay down my knee. For to Him I am bought and given my path. Why drown in depression when I can rejoice in expression. Skipping my way towards the never ending story of love, death, and rebirth. I now laden my hardened heart to the point where its stubbornness is dulled and its openness is livened. For to walk in Him your free-willed step you abate; because His path leads right to Heaven's gate.

#### Reformat...

As I pass through the walls that bound my path, I shudder in the fear of my Savior's wrath. Trembling I stand with pride holding me up. Pride that defeats a humbled act and forces my own freed will to push on. Must I fall victim to a lie I tell, as I am swept away with humanities' impel, polishing and shining the truth that I want to sell. Oh the prideful pain pushes perfection aside, as I lock my joints, continuing my stride To love myself is all I tend to put forth; so conceited I walk the walk; egotised to speak with reverence of myself. When oh when will my locked knees bend, at what point will I kneel to the Savior's feet, admitting my utter defeat, to the Power that surpresses my lies; to the Love who'll guide my life? Break me Lord, shatter this facade, let me praise the One True God. Hold me in content to the words I give out. Push my soul to the brink of rationality, where I will tread the verge of immortality. Wash my blinded eyes with purtity that stands clear, make my heart kneel in Your presence in awed fear. Pull my paths to unity to point towards the signalized opportunity, to live forever and a day in the humbled heaven community.

### Regrets...

I fall to the ground with a feeling of regret, filled with painful feelings, of which, I want to forget. The longing to remake the past and rewind my mistake, is buzzing over me, as my heart continues to ache. If only there were a way, to relive that dreaded day, enlivening a positive note, leading burdens astray. What could a man like me who lives in his blunder, do to make his life, something of a wonder. How can a man of despairs, fix his many errors, and have a plea for grace in his final prayers. But must that be the end, to live in fault, or can I repent, and be of savored salt? Can I three-sixty my life, towards a higher destination; pushing my lasting strengths, for the better of creation? Could all the positivity that I hold within, abolish that clinging and lasting sin? Is a life of service where others form my sight, a sacrifice in which my heart is no longer contrite? The truth is, that we can never be too sure, but it is better to try

and live a life that is pure.
So take the step,
go the mile,
transform your existence
into something worthwhile.
For a burdened regret,
on your life crusade;
may be nothing,
but passing shade.

#### Remember Me

The sun rises to a brand new day and I prep myself for the sheep led astray The sheep who's path be led by its own will failing to conform and learning to be still Oh how you pain me searching for material glee as you strike the nail once more into the tree Can't you remember our love that binds us together or am I floating around careless like a feather What about that time you said that you'd be completely mine when you accepted the will based on the devine Must I crawl to the cross once again to love you with blood and forgiven sin At which point will it stick out where your faith prevails the doubt when will your knees be calloused by a passion of devout Remember me as you choose you way and when you find me please stay For I can never love you more then the way I do now but My mercy does not stretch beyond when time runs out

# Repentance

I look to the stars for grace. searching for the end of the race. I reach for the top, with all my heart. But land far away, miles and miles apart. Its so easy to walk from, yet, every time I go away, I give in a little bit more, and beg for mercy when I pray. I know what's right and I know what's wrong. I know that I am weak where I should be strong. So I start once more, straying from this sin. Hoping not to retrace my steps and fall back again. Doubling my previous pace, I now walk merely on God's grace.

#### Road Of Solitude

The frustration edges me on, as my hollowed life persists. Living alone, once again, caught in one of life's many twists. Solitude beats me with dismay, as I continue to stray, looking at the worn fabric on this lonesome array. Again and again, I am torn with self pity, as I am outcasted from, what I deem pretty. Its not that others aren't of lovely attraction, but their individualized beauty doesn't bring me satisfaction. This agony troubles my soul as I fall deeper in this hole, wondering at which point, I will find my parole. Minutes stretch to hours, hours to days, at which moment will my glance become a gaze. Where is the one, with whom I was destined to be; the soul of unity that walks forever with me. But I forbid myself to fall into a steady trance, of a metronomic step, unwilling to take a stance. No, my journey in courting, will be better than that; I will pick myself up, after I fall flat. I will steadily await the girl of my dreams, and as I hold off

I'll better my esteem.
For if I brush off despair
and further my stare,
I may find true beauty
of which I'm well unaware.

### **Second Chance**

Stuck in the mess of our mediocre lives Not knowing how, or when, or why it's broken. Yet we're the stick in the mud jammed against our own will Hope trails off like the dreams that are now transparent Want it, yes, need it, now give it, our second chance one more try to climb our rut and bask in the heavenlies of the hope stuck within us Hope can be a word or The Word altering in the midst of blinded faith Will today be a time of blooming or a day of decay

#### Shared Heaven...

Why do we tread a path that tends to sink every step; wearing a path that dissipates our only light from our midst. It breaks us up into pieces; pieces that shatter our hope, trust, purpose... When we look towards the end the depth continues to extend, cutting our hopes as disillusionment attempts to mend. Oh how I wish the pain could be heard and ears would be prompt. If only a cry could no longer be a sound, but a plea; a plea that turns heads towards a need that suppresses the wants; prevailing into hearts to have a day of harmonized hope, where the cries are jointed and pointed towards a shared hope that will forever be anointed. Why can't friends share in one another, coping as if they were brothers. Providing shoulders to lean on, words to ascend; lifting each chin and making the heart amend. To grasp each embrace to the full extent for which it was meant, would open the problematic eyes; clearing a path that leads to the land where love not need be achieved. A place where a hug be a greeting and a kiss be an address. A land where complements

be the language, spoken without expectations but mere topic. Oh how these idealistic dreams blind me with please, bringing forth a land to mimic on a basis of repeat. For it is this day when we congregate that the glimpse of this Heaven shall appear. Taking on each matter, with a hope that does not scatter, but tis now the baggage of pain that begins to shatter. A day of promise where two allies face the world as one, uniting under the Divine son, and bringing forth the phrase 'it is done! '

# Shooting For The Stars..

Gazing with hopeful intuition I am boggled with decision shall I step forth or remain in this position Oh so many thoughts flood my meek mind as our friendship continues to intertwine Bled dry of courage I mend the piercing wound relying purely on chance for visions that swoon Horrified by the gamble of expressing my emotion I shy back in fear unwilling to release commotion Why oh why must I continue to lie in this state of refrain with an invisible goodbye Tearing at my inner heart I stand unwilling to depart and start painting life's desire in an act of art Can I christen this unbirthed passion and further this limited ration Restrained I fall back and accept the inevitable truth that the nearest chance of a kiss is a kissing booth Stricken with doubt wanting to shout letting the world know what love is all about Must fear be the blockade that covers possibility Or dare I maneuver past

with a love of flexibility
Yes, I will take a leap of faith
and shoot for the moon afar
for if I miss on my journey
I'll at least land among the stars

# Simplistic Optimism

What can you gain for being a bittered man held together by a failing plan What plus does a sour face have over a joyful grin that will go and erase your sorrowed sin Step from your regret and see the sun that shines blessing God's earth and the lives of yours and mine See the world for what it could be and bounce around in joyful glee Find the answer to your prolonged problem as your upturned lips try to solve them If you see a wrong and it does not belong erase the lyrics and begin your own song Negativity may continue to reign in certain places but it does not now matter for you walk on God's graces For living a life with a smile leading the way you may be the answer to someone who prays

#### Since Him

Ever since I met Him my walk has lengthened These legs that carry me have been gradually strengthened I walk more upright with a sense of pride Because no longer my fears I hide I am free in His love and consumed with his spirit The joy I feel cries out so others can hear it This sense of self worth dwells in my mind The gifts he bestowed on me I finally accept as mine What could I do without a Savior like Him I would be left caught in the my own condemnation If only others could experience His multitude of love They could finally understand that there is a God above If I could just show someone that life is not done but that it has merely begun Maybe if I mirror His character they will finally see God's Son I may not be the perfect reflection But hopefully they can see my true affection.

#### **Smile**

The ability to change someone's world can be in your power The curve of your lips has the ability to empower Your smile can mean more to someone else Then all the minor pain that you so humbly felt It can brighten anothers awful day Making all the pain flutter far away The love that you hide that is bursting inside wants to break free and no longer confide I know you haven't tried it in awhile but why not stop and give someone a smile

#### So Much More...

There is so much more to look forward to in life Why base your hopes on material strife Oh the glory we have in our hopes and dreams that is set aside and pushed for in intense extremes How poor the phrase it could have been It is better to start and lose then to never begin As long as you give it your all and at least try You have more to reflect on as you say your final goodbye There can be so much more for which you can shoot for so many new places in which you can explore Your dreams can be brought to life if you try your hardest Those distant wishes can be reached even the ones that seem the farthest There is so much more in this mere existence But how can you strive for it if you don't go the distance.

#### So Tired...

Over the years my clean slate has been stained Impure motives and thoughts have left my cleanliness drain All that is left are my wrongs which have mirrored my intentions These pathetic temporary joys seem to be my true affection Yet, hope is still within my reach If I can only look past my guilt my contaminated heart will be bleached I'm so tired of walking and need to have embrace It's my own condemnation that keeps me from finishing this race I know He keeps yelling telling me that I'm almost done That all my burdens will be carried by His annointed Son He keeps reminding me to look past all my faults telling me that its my character he exalts I guess if I just give Him my sin I can be free and start again

## Special One

There's a single girl who has opened my heart with a friendly love which she does impart This cozy feeling she bestills inside inspires my soul to take the next stride Taking this step into a place that is unknown is like stepping inside a world that is atoned The promise I gave her is wearing thin as I'm living a lie caught in my own sin If I only I could gain the courage to go beyond merely relying on the wave of a wand But let me take merit to spread my wings and fly into the wind that carries what I sing Break these chains that hold me down and let these feelings become renown Let my words stop muttering these words that are cluttering and let my heart take over all the uttering Let my impassioned spirit say what I feel and this question that builds up make its final appeal

### Special One...

Fickle my heart sounds as its counter remains missing searching with great intent bettered through reminiscing So many battles fought where white flags are sought with an attempting peaceful resolution for thought Oh the years of wars that have yet to prevail where both sides died out both sides failed Even though I take one more baby step as the time does progress I yearn for the lovely young lady for which I will be blessed Where all else in my past will seem dim to the eye as I coexist in loving peace in the arms of my ally The steady beat of the battle drums slowly and steadily succumb to the overwhelming wedding bells as the bride-to-be comes Lost in the sense where the husband tears up as the humble loves pass to each other, their cup For this day may be but a shimmer of hope as the days count down but long live that blessed day that will forever and a day be renown

# Spiritual Drought...

I fight for another breath as my motivation fades away. Here I am stuck once again in such turmoil that limits my views. The pure intensity of this internal battle gets the best of me as I fall back on presumptions and facts. Panting I crawl on my hands and my knees searching for the living water to put me at ease. As the walk gets longer, and my knees give out; I fall to the ground in this spiritual drought. I lose my sight, my vision is blurred, my ears are covered, nothing is heard. I am stuck in this state where all is lost, no promise can be push me as the threshold is crossed. Clueless I hold to the given, as my faith starts to wear thin, I am breaking down inside to the fulfillment of Satan's grin. Oh, just to feel the transcendence that I had once felt. A feeling based purely on wonder and awe where my knees would not give way under pressure, but to Perfection. A time when all else was worthless in my own eyes, and life didn't seem to begin, until daily I died. If only it would return, rejuvenating my soul, filling that hole, encouraging me to no longer walk the coal. To refurbish my heart back to sentimental rejoice, humbling my deeds to One True Voice.

This day may be vague, thinning as we speak, but I will continue climbing to reach Heaven's peak.

## Spiritual Fire

I am nothing more, than a mere saved soul. Impassioned by God's love, that makes me whole. The deeds I do on earth, won't last in people's minds. Unless they are backed up by something their hearts search to find. Something that builds character, where the world has ripped it out. Something that will make unaltered faith, out of complete doubt. If only I can represent a higher being. Then it won't be my deeds that people are seeing. The only way I can amount to something more, is to work secretly, where only God can adore. I want to make my name known, in heaven alone, and make people realize that their sins are atoned. Everyone seems to question, the act of repentance. Knowing in their hearts, that its never the end of the sentence. Their lack of faith makes God ache, paining His intentions, with objections that are fake. I have to be humble, showing others that start to crumble, that even a veteran like myself, tends to still stumble. As I live here on earth, I remain a mere mortal. But the day that death arrives,

I will become immortal.
I spread God's love showing others that It makes me fervent.
Cause all I want to hear upon death is 'Well done good and faithful servant.'

#### Stilled Love

Love grows steady, enhanced with the mere touch where two souls intertwine; I still myself to refine. caught in a breathe and held till I'm blue, unwilling to let growth testify to truth. Timid, I tremble; fickle, I fall; passing mistakes I do recall. With brokenness crowding my view, I can't envision the blessed route. Oh, the pained pain beats my vein, as I fall back and continue to abstain. Free-flowed passive mistakes leave me bewildered. Perplexed not with knowledge, but chance. Chance in a progressive past resurfacing a moment to last. Knees hit the ground, tears stream the face; having recurring memories, remembering the taste. Must love be of great pain, must it hold such disdain, thats probably why I'll never find it, remaining sane.

#### Strokes Of Innocence...

Strokes of innocence paint animation to this Miss as she spins to the beat of life grateful to exist Such a figure of pure excellence to liven this fallen world with the mighty touch of grace in the soft hands of this girl I wallow back in awe of the beauty she speaks as I am blessed by the mere peck on my cheek Oh how this day shines beyond all compare as our souls embrace through the art of prayer The joint of hopes and dreams the endless smile that she beams settling both our hearts and minds with bettered esteem For the dates have just begun on this journey of trust and to new heights our visions for the future are thrust New territory is being explored as seperate virtues are adored and holy we stroll on with the Divine blessing of the Lord Wowed to the point of stuttering one another is found muttering as the butterflys that ring her toes never cease their fluttering Eves fixate on this well-rounded lady stirring the unanswered queston of maybe Perhaps a person pained such as little old me could carry a coupled kinship

with the lovely Laurie
For the simple anticipation
that boggles my mind
searches for clarity
in an attempt to find;
pure pointed purpose
as the unnumbered days await
and as we wow one another
on each furthered date

### Study Break

Thoughts float round in your innovative mind as you search for the answer you long to find Idea after idea being pushed aside with doubts blocking the chance to decide Oh the agony beats the brain as you fall back and recite probing for that linear moment when your bulb does ignite Words flow in and out nothing being stout but just prolonging this endless mind drought You search for the theme you search for the setting then you tend to lose sight as frustration starts sweating Bang the table, flip the chair break the pencil, pull out the hair Nothing seems to cease this thwarted, distorted, seemingly aborted idea that has yet to be courted but all in all remains unsupported Stop the grief and take a second finding a solution that you may reckon A brisk walk around the block may be what calls your name settling the idiosyncrasies and retargeting their aim Blessing yourself through the idea of relaxing letting your thought-process begin its waxing For when you take this study break you are voiding a possible mistake and giving your brain a needed shake

coaxing all of its hurting aches So study on my friend with your sight pushing on replenished and refocused on painting a new dawn

#### Sunshine In Dark Times

Even sunshine may fade as time does progress falling victim to the ever straining product of stress Hearts may faint dreams will give out Trouble stirs in the question of doubt Eyes may turn in a fear of the dark cringing out memories of the initial spark The spark that had begun this impassioned flame fueled by the heart but beautified by the dame Oh to only hit a note that will forever sound catching a rhythmic pattern that has yet to be found For the song in the making has begun its aching in a sense that untold feelings are now awaking Dread may have the upper hand as the cards are played but little does the dealer know that the victims are not afraid No, they take the stance continuing the advance in a search for the art of true romance For the day has just begun on the journey ahead step by step by their hearts they are lead For sunshine may not always appear to be the source of light but relies on the moon's memories

in the darkness of the night

# **Temptations**

There are two voices that speak to me at once One tells me what God asks the other tells me what I want They crush my thoughts and consume my mind Leaving nothing left for me to find I have to accept its one or the other A moment of joy or an everlasting Father How can I hold to something I can't imagine When there's that reachable joy which I can fathom My heart breaks everytime I choose the wrong one When I dismiss God's love for a little bit of fun There will always be two different voices The question is which will be my final choice?

# Thanksgiving Day Poem

When this day comes, it seems we have an obligated thank; to a name we try and think of, but tend to draw a blank. There is so much to be thankful for, on this one single day. So much beauty that will carry you away. All these overlooked objects that color this earth, should really be counted as of great worth. The skies that change, as the day progresses. The trees that shift, into their seasonal dresses. The chirping of birds that awaken our day. God's open ear that listens to us pray. Love that's passed, through the simple smile; encouraging our ambitions, to go the extra mile. Children's joy that shines, blossomed flowers that intertwine, even the moments of transcendence that send shivers down the spine. All this beauty and awe, comes from our creator. So if you need to pass that last thank you, Who will ever be greater?

### The Idealistic Moment

Waiting for the moment to come when I can stretch out my arms; I watch the world pass by with high-earned ambitions. My heart longs to be something bigger. Something that'll break the bounds and restructure the norm. Yet, each minute strolls by untouched, unnoticed, unappreciated. The seconds beckon for fulfillment while my stubbornness shys back with reluctance. I continue to sit, wasting away valuable time and making a contribution that matches oil to water. When will my idealistic second appear? When will my heart flare with excitement? When will my mind shake, forcing it to awake and face my passing mistakes; bringing a realization that it was myself who flaked the surmounting opportunities of which, I did not partake...and all that's left is the compromised last piece of cake. Yet, I will not fall once again but will dismiss the dismay in a discontinuation; resounding the rejected reflections

with a thin hope built of no metabolism.

Trevor Schulte

This moment will arrive

thus adjusting my heart

when I step out and choose,

to a rhythm that voids the blues.

# The Journey

I journey onwards past the tread marks of a scarred past. Looking beyond towards an impassioned future marked with significant change and progression. A travel that oversteps my closed off mind and ventures toward an unproved, unperceived, unpredicated vision that blinds my eyes to the point of stepping in faith. I know not why I have chosen this adventure, nor why I continue to press on, but I do understand that it is necessary to find myself. To realize why would be effortless to a faithful step, but to base each movement on the idea of a greater reward is to be an avid adventurer. I hold myself in content to the idea that my path shall one day lead others beyond themselves to a bettered life. For though I am the taker of each footstep, I am led with the staff of salvation. Nervous I am, scared I will forever be, but excited is the word worth writing. Beyond my path, lies the truth that is untold but is presented in my actions that are bold For to live is nothing, to die is gain, for upon my rebirth, I am freed of pain. My journey may be years of trouble and miles of rough land; it may be steps not wanted and days not praised, but it is well worth the effort. For the fight I fight is finding my true self within,

Trevor Schulte

and the day I defeat the demon is the day I say my final amen.

### The Path That He Walked

I stand here not knowing exactly where to go or what to do All of My independence has surpassed all I know As I walk this straight but narrow path I am burdened with indecisive questions about why I keep walking Why do I endure all this pain and all this sufferring I look to it not with understanding but instead with confusion I know that what I do is right for God but what about Me Must I carry others on My shoulders even when they don't seem to care Even though My days are cloudy and My path is rough I will keep up My pace that runs purely on grace Grace that makes My heart burn with passion Passion that makes My deeds sincere If it is to be a path that is dark let Me walk with blind faith The One who leads Me is definative to who I really am Only Him and I know who I am and who I am to be So with fearless ambition I strive to take the next step of faith I realize that My mission is to walk the path that God has set before My feet That path may lead to death but My death will lead to life Life for all whom shares the love I give Believe it or not but its for you as well It is not because you lived a good life or because you have loved Me for a long time But because you gave me your wrongs

and accepted My unconditional love
I will die for you
to live for Me
One day we will meet
and forever be at peace
It is then that I will dance
skip around in rejoice that we won
You and I have walked the path together
and now we'll dance
Forever and a day!

#### The Pharisee And I

Standing on the street corner, his ego puffed out; claiming a sign of perfection and faith without doubt. Trouble does not face, the overflowing grace, of him who seems to spit in God's face. I cringe back when I'm in his midst, hitting the ground, as his feet are kissed. To be in his presence and not be scolded, is reaching a point where the mystery is unfolded. For who am I to question this wise man's discretion, because all I do is fish for a profession. But wait, Who is that, that comes through the crowds; treasured as though he were a Mosaic rain cloud? Walking in such confidence, He approaches the Pharisee and I. My knees hit the ground, while the Pharisee looks Him in the eye. His eves scan the both of us as He announces His name is Jesus. I am brought to fear at the sound of His name, dreading the sins of which, I'm to blame. The Pharisee seems to stand in pride, having nothing to hide, but caressing his words with a tone that is snide. My wimpers are overtaken

with Jesus' overbearing voice,
'Stand oh fisher,
and face My choice.'
I stood up, my knees shaking,
ready to say my final amen;
He then spoke, 'Come my child
and I'll make you a fisher of men.'
My eyes shot up
at His startling decision!
but maybe in me,
He sees a vision?
For in the eyes of this Lord
Who will forever speak,
His trust will lay
in the hands of the meek.

### The Puzzlemaster

A puzzle lays before my eyes, mixed and mingled with no connection. So many different pieces begging to unite under a common goal of becoming perfection. Each piece represents part of who I was, who I am, and who I am to be. The only problem is that my perfect picture does not take a single form but shifts as my feelings, opionions, and beliefs vary ever so often. My heart yells, 'TAKE ONE FORM!!!' as my picture passes from soothing to storm. It burns to know everything of the life I wish to live but to know nothing about why my passions only peak at moments when all that is left is faith. How can it be, that the only thing that I have full belief in, is the one thing of which there is no proof? It befuddles my broken belief into nothing but mere blinded hope. I shift the pieces as my mind goes berserk; fixating not on piece by piece, but rather on the picture as a whole. My mind belittles my heart, 'I CAN NOT DO THIS PUZZLE IF MY LIFE DEPENDED ON IT' ...but wait; could that be the answer? If my life were to rest on completion of an altering enigma, what could I rest my faith in to make assurance in what I gamble? THATS IT!!! Flip the board, see the white give myself a new story to write. A story that is stain free and can never be converted. For the true Puzzlemaster, never leaves his pupil deserted!

### The Way

I stand here lost searching for a place to travel As I face my life's issues which I attempt to unravel I know the path that I am suppose to take But I am still worried that what I do will be a mistake I want freedom with my whole heart Yet if I walk the path the more freedom departs Its so hard to remain true to an invisible hope when my traveling seems to go down slope I long to feel passion in my spiritual fashion leaving my heart filled with compassion A milestone that will mark my quest Somewhere where I can take a breather and unload my stress When will it be God that my life will mean more When will my life's purpose amount to as much as the poor Father give me a desire to light a fire and ultimately inspire Maybe if I give it all to You, the Jew, you will make my driving motives true So here I stand, still lost, basing my journey, on the way of the cross.

### Time Of Your Life...

Why doesn't the world seem to spin for me but continue to be set back by time's decree This ongoing feeling of staleness in life are causing my feelings to be closed off with strife When will the day come that life will be brought and I'll start to live out the lessons I've been taught When will my opinions finally be heard When will my imput become preferred This continuous feeling of infinite vanity is driving my mind to the point of insanity When will my life mean something much more and my footprints won't be secured on a sandy shore No matter how hard I try or how much I cry I'm living a slow life in which I'll never die So, I keep coming back to the same old question of when, when will my life finally begin? But what if these are the basic steps in which I get experienced and become prepped What if this staircase isn't winding around but is pushing onward

to a hope that has been found
Maybe I shouldn't
be watching the clock
but instead be feeding
my increasing flock
Because even though life seems
like it lasts forever
Maybe this is the time
to push for your wanted endeavor
Cherish the time you have
on God's green Earth
you'll never know how long
until your immortal birth

### **Tomorrow**

As the sun fades away I sit waiting for the new day Tomorrow is always there for us even in the darkest hours It eventually fades the gray away and brings us new flowers The hope it contains never seems to cease But is forever present and always inspiring peace If you had a chance to throw your mistakes away to abandon your troubles what would be better than today When you look at your problem look past the issue Gaze at the possible solutions and throw away the tissues You should thank God in prayer that tomorrow is always there

# Tomorrow's Hope

Once and a while a day goes wrong and your joyful steps dance to a sad song All is lost in your mind as you search for the joy that you cannot find Oh how we wish this day would be gone and towards a new horizon our spirit will be drawn The painful cries flood our vision as we seek for the answer with pinpoint precision In these clouded days that tend to lack praise we search for the opening where we catch the sun's rays Our torn heart that begs to be revived may just need the hope of which, its deprived We look left and right for the ultimate solution Praying that one day we'll start a revolution What we need to realize is that during these instances is that we stretch out to our greatest distances These times that seem to make incisions may just be beckoning for a new decision A choice that will make your troubles abate and will most definitely

alter your fate
So You can either hold the pain
with a hopeful facade
Or, my dear friend
let go and let God

### Torn But Reborn...

Why do you still yourself in the tread marks of the past bringing back bittersweetness in memories you beg not to last So much torment and suffering blinding your futuristic eyes with the remembering that you wish you could deny All the hope that is in you that you look to is erased in a new picture that your past drew Is it that hard to abandon a past so dark lighting the near future with a brand new spark Must you dwell in despair with feelings unfair and lose the promising hope of a faithful prayer Need you break your own heart with a past written in pen or start on a clean slate with a simple amen My dearest friend who remains distraught Don't you realize your second chance was bought I beg you to see with eyes of not your own but to see a future where you're never alone For the day you're reborn those clothes you had worn will be cleansed of despair as the new oath is sworn For my Messiah, Jesus Christ wants to be your Lord and begin a relationship

with your sight being restored So let go of the baggage that weighs your spine passing your burdens to the Back of the Divine

### **True Love Awaits**

I wait for you with all my heart, knowing that when we meet, we will never part. We will stand united, throughout time. Brought together, by something Divine. The mere touch of your face, and your undeserved grace, will make our souls touch, and forever be embraced. Oh, to feel your love and to know your heart. To take on one more journey connected as we depart. We will wander forever, with no worry in mind. Holding hands and walking, till Heaven we find. We will dance with the angels watching us move. Swirlling again and again, with no point to prove. Testifying to the definition, of true love. Showing the whole world, that this alone is enough. We will make heads turn, and hearts yearn, for that fire in our hearts, that will forever burn. So I await the day, we finally will meet, realizing its only each other, that we really need.

# Unanswered Question...

Coaxing in my mind I search to find the unanswered question of mankind So many possible solutions that take up my thoughts so many sold out answers just waiting to be bought Paid for with devotion to its true authenticity I am held to content with its mazed simplicity Oh how I could say one thing but mean the other not finding the resolution but continuing to smother I lack the trust in my straightforward cognition settling back in a convinced, wavered rendition It is what our Lord has layed as the foundation What others who lack belief vearn in fascination To step out with no surety into a place of no security would be to reach the point of the summed maturity I hold out a hand and close my eyes fearing the outcome of pure surprise Can I reach for the stars and start to confide this inner trust that I continue to hide Maybe if trust and confidence are where I am based I can answer the unanswered question of living in faith.

### **Unconditional Love**

I see but a poor reflection, as I stare into the mirror. Seeing an impure man with nothing to hold but fear. I stand here wondering how I could be loved with such deep affection. Knowing that a murderer like me doesn't even deserve a reflection. How could the man I killed, love me to death? How could this man forgive me with His final breath? He gave every ounce of strength, to inspire my heart to go the length. The answer to my question, no one will probably understand. The only thing I can comprehend is that my wrong is written in sand.

### **Unfinished Love**

I love you as if there were no tomorrow, but only an eternal day. To stand and be assured of your everlasting presence. To know that your dreams, are my hopes and aspiration. Being your desire ignites my inspiration. To walk the same road and at each turn diverse. Only to converge, on our self implied curse. To know you, and not to know you. To understand your wants and to want your understanding. Knowing the truth, that death to you isn't the end, but only the beginning.

### **Unknown Love**

This love is so unbareable even though it doesn't yet breathe It is still unborn but in my heart it does concieve It bursts with a feeling that I cannot contain I want it to break free and release me of this pain Why does it burden me so even when I don't know to where or whom it shall go What I do comprehend from the midst of this love Is that it was known well before from the Big Man above So I await the day that it will be born As I quietly search for the person to whom its sworn

### **Unrestrained Love**

Beauty that's breathtaking is flooding each mind So many virtues bursting forth with no end but only a beginning A start to an impassioned love built between mortals that are clueless as to why it's there But there it is and will be pounding at one anothers' meek hearts to bolden and take a step Pushing past skeptics focused on the countless amenities found in their unity Break the boundaries loosen the limits no restraints but resolutions to the fading bounds of true love originating in our midst

### **Values**

Where you place your heart your values do follow whether your treasure is sincere or completely hollow Your values will cling to the foremost intention Not to what you make it to be or what you attempt to mention If you evaluate your heart's true affection You will discover your spiritual reflection It is up to you to discover what is your love in life Whether it be a time of joy or a lifetime of strife I could only hope that you would put relationships first Because material things you hold will not quench your thirst

### Waiting

I wait for you to find your true affection Knowing that, in the end I may not be the reflection I know that God will give you the perfect person that makes you complete Someone that makes you wake up, eager for the new day to meet Although, It is you who keeps me on my toes As your exteme faith blooms like a rose Your love for one another treating everyone as your brother could never be matched by any other If only I could hold you from sunset to sunrise Not ever worrying about hellos or goodbyes If only I could watch as you dance under the moon Watching the beauty as I slowly become swooned Although we are still far away I will never cease to pray I know that God has a plan for both of us It will eventually come true as the time it does press Although, the time still awaits I have forgotten the calender and the dates

### Walk The Line

and choose which one I'm living. I want to be with You, with all my heart. Yet, the longer I tread the line, the farther I grow apart. I once read from Your book that there is no condemnation. I sometimes take that word for word and take a vacation. I am so close, and at the same time so far. Can't I just give up, and break even at par? Can't I just walk the line, be at both sides at once. Or do I have to do what You say, live how You want. Maybe I shouldn't balance the wall. I don't know exactly where I'd fall.

It's hard to balance two descisions

### What Am I?

I glance at your face each and every day Waiting for the opportune moment to come my way You stare back at me appearing to be the same as before Even though you slowly change deep within your core Your essence is always reliable and trustworthy to all points Your hands are constantly readjusting your unstable joints I hang your moving picture on my wall watching you before dinner grow tall When will you stop and cease to exist When will you become stubborn and have your final kiss The only time I'll give you that flattery is when you my friend, run out of battery

### What Is This About?

You consume my thoughts each night, giving me pleasure or fright. The hope you give me is temporary, just like the fears. You either leave me in joy, or in a flood of tears. The past comes through you, to respark my memory. To reignite my life, only contemporary. You rest during the day and expand when the light fades. Your essence is shaped by experience and is not carefully made. I now close my eyes, and wait for your surprise.

### When I Think About You

When I think about you my whole world stops Creation itself ceases to exist the only thing left is you at the top Every time you come to mind my heart soars to new heights Why does nothing else matter when you are in my sight Couldn't you just join me and dance till the sun sets cant you abandon all the past and open new doors, place new bets Your cleverness oversteps the norm and ventures to a place beyond recognition You are so spontaneous and unique like a candle in the dark How can you be so amazing yet humble your way into my heart

### Where's Waldo?

I rip the hair from my balding head as I look for the one whom has fled How dare he continue to flee against my begged plea and take on this treacherous abandonment spree I look to every point and explore every angle as the sights blur together and start to entangle The pain you cause my head as my eyes start to tear awaiting that glorious moment when you finally appear In agony I rip out the pages as my curiosity still ages and the velocity of my chiseled mind quickly enrages My knees hit the ground as I start to crawl slow dying to the eternalized question of where's Waldo?

### Who...?

Who could whisper to you in the faintest voice? 'I love you with all My heart' as you make the wrong choice. Who in the midst of searing pain, never cry out in vain, but instead forgive you as you curse His name. Who would wait up every night, just to hear you talk with Him? Isn't it the same person you renounced, as He took away your sin? I'm asking who would ever die, just for the likes of you? If you haven't caught on yet, I'll tell you who! The Man who stole every sin, in the single greatest heist. The One, the Only, the lovable Jesus Christ.

# Wondering Why?

I sit here looking at the moonlit sky, perplexed, bewildered, just wondering why. Why the world is the way it became? Why everyone here seems to only seek fame. All the hopes in our hearts, all the desires in our dreams, seemed to be set only on material things. The indifference and segregation that makes humans part, do nothing but reflect what's truly in our hearts. In the depths of our minds we have so much creativity. Yet it's cut and destroyed, with all the outside negativity. Why can't we shine through and give a clue, to what our souls really want to do. If it were only that easy to show who we are, our good intentions in life, wouldn't be so far. I glance at the stars with a curious mind, searching for an answer that I may never find.