Your Choice



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Remember when you go into the world.

To keep your eyes and ears wide open.

And to be kind. Love one another.

Take care of each other. Tell the truth.

Always do your best. Listen to the big

People and little people. Explore new

Paths and have fun. Know that your

Loved like crazy. Give thanks for all your blessings.

Above all else, love and you will do

Wonderful things in the world.



Happiness makes people kind.
When someone is cruel to you
It is because they are sad.
Knowing this makes it easier.
To forgive them
Knowing this also makes it.
Easier to stay kind.

As unexpected independence

Comes from rejection.

When someone stops

Seeing your worth,

You learn to see it.

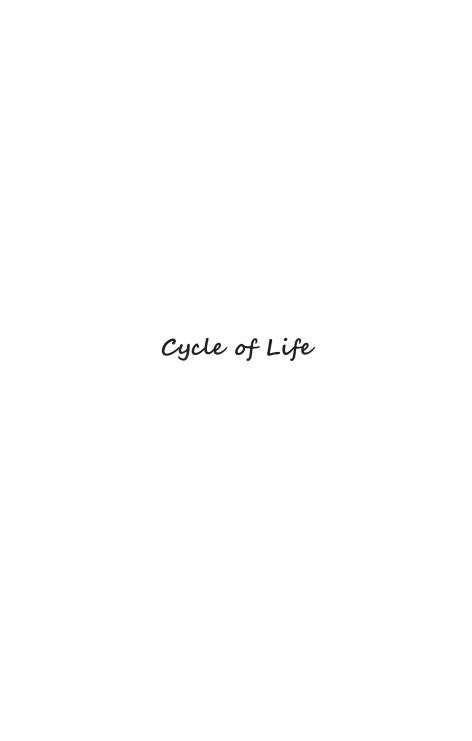
From your own eyes.

And learn to see it.

And when you learn

To see your own worth

No one can take it from you again.



In this lifetime I witnessed To the saddest generation Where depression keeps growing Back like weed.

Validation a key to the self-esteem Where ego has become a proof of existence Narcissism and instinct of survival And judgements a second nature

> It's like earth is dying. But at the same time, it feels like

A rebirth it's purifying. The good will never exist without the bad

And the beginnings never without the ends

As life never without death

You call it pessimism.

9 call it realism.

But it's called the cycle of life, I quess.



9 didn't fall in love with you, 9 walked into love with you,

With my eyes wide open,

Choosing to take every step.

Along the way.

I do believe in fate and destiny.

But I also believe

We are only fated.

To do the things

That we'd choose anyway.

And 9'd choose you;

In hundred lifetimes,

In hundred worlds,

In any version of reality,

9'd find you.

And I'd choose you.

Perception of Relationship

It's such a beautiful thing.

When two souls meet

And they reveal the best of their hearts.

For all the world to see

It's such a miraculous thing.

That they collided into each other

Like a shooting start bumping into another

But it's such a simple thing.

When two souls meet

And all the love they offer.

Is reciprocated and received.

So, don't underestimate it's beauty

Or second quess the miracle that it is

Finding love in this lifetime is quiet.

Do you Miss me....?

9 think you don't.

But I wish you do,

It's not easy for me,

Sorry to think like that.

But I want it to be heard for you too.

Talk to me,

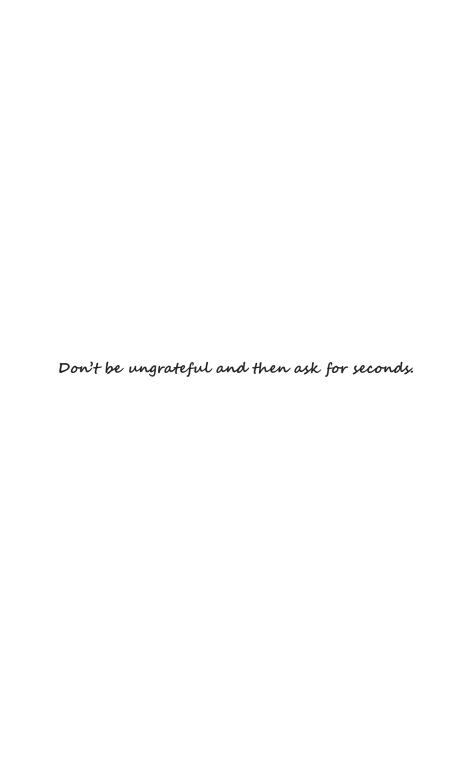
Just say a word,

Even your 'hmm' will never be left unheard.

But you know me.

First, I need to be sure.

That you miss me.



You think you know me.

Because you've read my words

And seen my face.

A handful of times

You think it's easy to judge me.

Because you've seen

All you want to.

You are not better than me.

Because you haven't felt my pain

9'm not sorry,

That you didn't like the way.

My heart was served on a platter to you.

You still chose to partake in the meal.

It's not my fault,

You didn't enjoy the taste.



I have not only shared my happiness,

But 9 also share my pain,

With you.

Your memory is my keepsake with,

Which I will never apart,

My mother left footprints,

Which lead you.

Your soul tied with,

Same craziness.

From being princess,

To giving us little princess.

You have been truly there,

And I know,

That you also care and love me.

You have also made me,

Smile, with you!

I don't know what I did deserve,

A special person like you

Someone who always loves me.

No matter what 9 do

I saw money and outer world

Through you, only you.

9 admire your dedication,

From the day 9 know.

You are an incredible woman,

A woman I hold close to my heart.

A woman who deserves the world.

9'm proud to be your nephew,

And if someday 9 can be able to do

Fifty (percent) as much you have achieved.

I'll be the happiest person,

You are truly the queen,

Nobody would have made this family.

As the best, other than you.

Whatever I'm today,

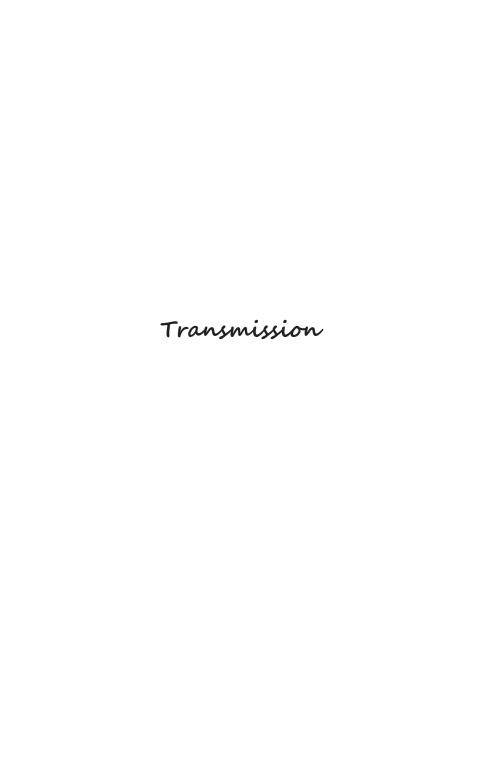
You are the reason for it.

I'll honourably call as my chickamma.



I'm sending a dove
To heaven with a parcel
On it's wings, be careful
When you open it.
Inside are million kisses,
Wrapped up in million hugs
To stay how much you're missed
Is something you will never know
You left behind the broken hearts
Of those who loved you.
A sea of tears and endless grief
Would simply ebb away.
I hold you close within my heart
And there you will remain to

Walk with me throughout my life until I see you.



We had been trying to be adults since we were fifteen, When we are finally reached twenty, nothing changed. It wasn't until we were lying on the bathroom floor, Orunk and high in two different states

That we realised

Age is just a member,

And reality is learning there's no such,

Thing as being an adult.

You only grow older,

And if you're lucky

May be little wiser.



How is it that

I break down

Everynight

without being.

Carried by the winds,

At the end of the week,

How did I come to known

Of so much love?

Without having saved anything

For you.



Over time we've developed something extraordinary,

That will last forever because we're unordinary

I share with you all

Not just the most awesome selfies

But also, some of my life's

Most precious memories

A friend is someone we laugh with,

Over little personal things.

Our friendship runs deep,

Right through my heart and soul

I don't care about anything else.

Other than having you around,

Because only your smiles have

The power to wipe away my frowns.



Don't expect me to be the same,
I have changed,
Like the autumn leaves turning,
The summer of youth has fleeted,
The last time you saw me,
I was naive enough to believe
That what we had was love,
It was not.

I had no idea what love was.

But I know that it wasn't us.

I have changed,

Like the seasons passing through, I know my worth and I'm willing to wait.

For someone who know it too.

The seasons have changed.

Winter to summer From sliver to gold

Time has carried on without me.

Now I lie under trees of falling flowers.

The sun peeking through the leaves

Summer is so peaceful and warm.

But 9 feel so in explicably cold.

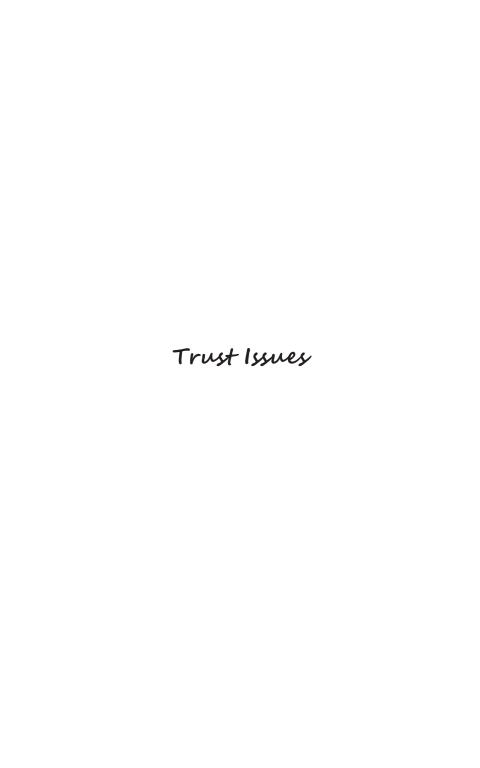
You may not be mine anymore.

But deep down

9'm so afraid.

I will always be a

little bit yours.



Love was drought.

And I foolishly began.

To depend on the drops

Of happiness you meticulously

Trickled on your path to me,

Though I guess I should

Blame myself for always

Allowing thirsty souls

To hang me out to dry.

It's always those

Who see the cloudy skies.

9 tenderly cradle

That take advantage of

My sustenance

Or maybe it's just tedium.

That carries them my way.



My memories with you

Are compiled like a movie.

In fast forward

And slow motion.

9 am the actor and

You are the actress,

We talk, we laugh, we fall-

Dyeing feeling through it all.

And as 9 mend this heart,

9 play, 9 pause and then 9 stop;

Until this heart becomes whole,

I will play this movie and rewind.



A little broken, a little funny I hope that I can leave behind a legacies.

To be nobodies

Stranger city,

No wine but lemon tea,

Hot and trembling.

The gracious city swept across the line;
Obvious of the colour of my skin,
Forgetting that 9 was alien guest,
She bent to me, my hostile heart to win,

9'm still conquering on my knees.



Love and lie.

Myth and life

We stuck in between both.

Parallel lines,

And what if,

If this illuminate stars of our is false

We keep moving through the

Dark and hue

Black and blue.



The walls are tarnished,
With the reminders
Of what happened
And no matter how
Many times you try
To repaint them
It will never cover up
The stories
It's stained too deep.

Rhythmic Shades of Sky

The warmth in your hug
Melting all my cold frozen tears
Collecting moments
With desperate hopes and desire,
Wishing staring at you longer
Will somehow make time slow down,
Looking back at the storms we conquered,
And the battles we survived,
Rising into rhythmic shades of the sky

To have a heartbeat like yours Beating to the tunes of mine,

How beautiful is it.

Yet 9 get cost is agony.

Wondering how it is fair.

That we only get one lifetime To live all the love, we have in us. A Vibe

Feeling strange a bit; a
Vibe that is making me
Feel lonely but filled at
A time, that took me
Down and takes me up
In a second, not feeling
Low or up, and still not in
Middle, this has messed
Me up, but still not confusing,
I wonder because this not
What happens to me once,
First after knowing you,
Twice when you broke my heart,

Thrice when 9'm writing this.

Bonding of emotions

Not necessarily.

Arise due to some transactions

Of humankind.

But sometimes

Vibes and fragrance of acceptance

Brings two souls closer

And makes us crying

In separation

And full of joy in meeting

But I wonder

We can't name it ever.

Philosophy of Language

Limited in my world

By the limits of my linguistics

9 shape reality through words, And make it unrealistic,

What I say manifests,

9t spreads into my reality.

9 am nothing but words,

The words that you assign to me,

My form changes in every mind

9 am different in every culture.

And belief systems that you can find.



Something is always broken.

Nothing is perfect longer than a day.

Every roof has a broken tile

Every mouth a chipped tooth.

Something is always broken.

But the world endures the break.

The broken twig is how we follow the trail.

The broken promise is the one we remember.

Something changed is pushed out the door,

Sad, perhaps, but ready, too ready, for the world.

Something is always broken.

Something is always fixed.

Who, Where, When... Timing?

To the right person I met at the wrong time, You're all I ever needed, But all I never got.

For all the wrong reasons, And all the wrong crimes,

You described it wasn't meant to be,

And in your archives, 9 was lost, And 9 was fire, and you were ice,

And my warmth never satisfied.

Your glacial needs to survive.

If I was but a wind that could flow through time

9'd raise storms to turn the tides.

So, we could find happiness in coincidence.

Redraft destiny's designs.

My Seeking Sight

In the glimpse of skyline I'm seeking for light of life.

In the shore of ocean

9'm seeking for another sky.

In the darkness of wood

9'm seeking for sunlight,

In the full moon night

9'm seeking for stargazing for a while.

In the rays of my hand

9'm seeking for story of mine.

Are you still Waiting....?

9'm waiting in a dark fantasy world, Where naked truth consumed the air!

Where there is no hope of love,

Yet I breath my freedom.

Here I set my black rose On red fire,

And showed stardust upon

My wounds!

Where 9 empathize like an old monk.

But still shine like a rebel.

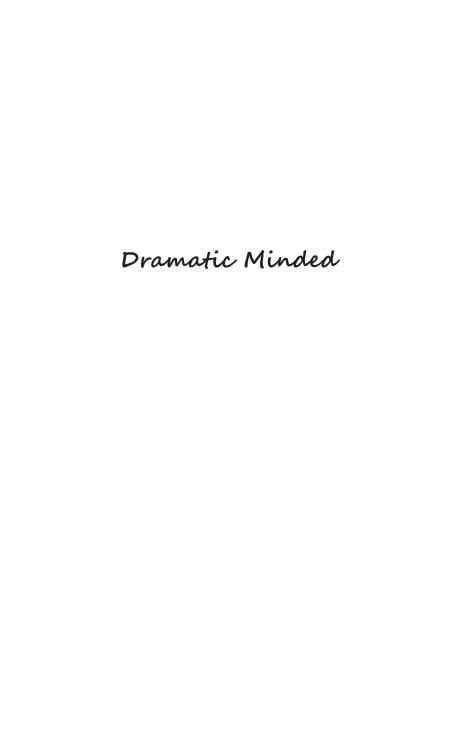
Since, you said you love me too.

So, honey chase my darkness

9'm waiting for you.



Your anger was proof,
That you haven't healed
So instead of looking at me
As the problem
Clean out your wounds,
And forgive yourself.
For holding on to something
For far too long.



Filled up with chaos.

I have a garden of thorns, Mind is still messed.

Life still has a hope.

Face looks calm, eyes have a spark

Myth becomes another truth for

Love, laugh and sigh.

And I feel comfort In my own lies.



Red turns blue,

And blacks becomes hue.

Might be this

Sun is not shine for you.

Might be not this time,

But there is magic,

Sun spins into moonlight

And new moon becomes

Reason for smile.

A Time of Sorrow

Beloved keep your head up high Your hopes there not ever shy.

Beyond those tears your love still lies With all that sorrow in your eyes

Wake up and think some more. You have a purpose that is for sure.

You take a breath to let you stay.

Some for a time to laugh and cry. Some for a time to think and sigh.

But when you're down, you may just fail.

With tired eyes and cheeks so pale Beloved keep your head up high

You'll feel ashamed if you don't try.

Life's Gamble

Being smart or being silly What matters the most?

One must live joyfully.

We play our cards Close to our chest

Thinking nobody should know the rest.

But circumstances and situations

Are the biggest gamblers of life

Doesn't matter

How good you play.

However, the last bet

Will be always on their side.



My dried heart craved
For your love
My dead soul wants
Your touch
I have nothing to give in return
That's what we have monster
Called feelings inside us.



When you will never receive
The love you need
Because unfortunately they're
Holding onto past traumas
Know you can always,
Find that love.
In someone else
No need to wait around
When a healing

Will never reach the surface.

An Alcoholic Story

And if,

Anyhow, any day

My eyes will look like red wine

Or my body shivering from cold bath,

Yet I feel heated beneath my lungs.

And what if my mind is full of your thoughts

Or I feel numb either,

Even if 9'm soaked in a bitter water,

And my feeble feet can't take me up,

But the glass of shots wants

My attention one last time,

So, I'll put your relics metaphor and

Used to be baffled for a life.

Still my hopeless fingers will write,

The best story of

You and mine.



Forgiving
didn't start with them,
it didn't begin when
they changed their actions.
forgiving started
when 9 forgave myself
for holding onto those
moments of the past
and stopped projecting them.
into my future on replay.



Life is such a stage.

Where there is no retake

We all live in an illusion.

We have been taught.

To err is human.

To forgive is divine.

But in reality

After erring once

We have to moan our whole life.

And we all want forgiveness.

If we are on the wrong side otherwise

We abstain to pardon other.

By being adamant and judgemental All the time.



There could be a playlist

For every ride,

Slow songs for sluggish roads

That way, time can be stretched

For my yearning-

A lifetime in every adventure.

I could lean in

To all you have to say

When the paper cut

Of the thin air

Goes through our sweaters,

For all the miles

I held onto you.

These open roads

Seemed far too short,

To have your hands

Go up my legs.



She kept him close
Knowing that nothing
Was for certain
But the time spent together
Was so worth it
For he gave her
What no one else had
Hope.



9'm not your wall.

You have painted on.

9'm a blend of black and blue.

9'm in the liberty of white.

I'll be the rare violet

Mixed with bright sun

Or the hot red squeeze

Under the moonlight

Honey you can't chase

The shades of rainbow in dark sky,



It's like I woke up from a dream.
After convincing myself for so long
That I was happy and right where
I wanted to be.

I guess I was trying to prove myself from the people of my past that I was strong enough.

That if 9 could be the first to move on 9t wouldn't hurt anymore.

But it was a joke.

9 moved too fast

Tripping over myself in the fight

To stand on my own Lighting the flame only to get burned.

And there's no one left to blame.

9 dove into too high waves and Let myself drown. Thank "Yow"

It's always been you.

My drop in the ocean

A kiss like September rain

You pull me out of the shadows. You show me the sun again.

It warms both our faces.

As the morning finally breaks

On the eastern horizon It's you.

My medicine for the pain

My sedative for the horror

My view of heaven

From a seat in hell.



You could've woken up to realise.

That the pain you've been fighting

Actually, came from family roots.

And the only way to stop it.

Is if you're ready to heal it,

Within your own soul?

Know that this the kind of battle.

You fight with no weapons but deep love,

And you do it to stop the poison.

From leaking onto the hearts

Of the new and unborn souls.

A Moment is Enough

When I opened my eyes Perfection started at me Like a thief

Prepared to take the last bit of what I have inside,

When I opened my eyes

My heart was still beating.

But not loud enough to reach my mind

When I opened my eyes

My body was no longer a home of peace
All named after me.



Drop in little.

Letters of charm and love

To my mailbox and

I shall grasp the lines,

Before the meagre

Sanity within runs wild;

I'll let you.

Touch the bones,

Touch the flesh,

Before I leave,

Before the fall.



But moon turns blue,

And half of my heart

Still thinks everything will

Fall at it's place, where it should be

Not because 9've fear of life.

Since, it's not like fantasy book

Nonetheless, 9 wish it's better.

To being a part of this chaos.

Just hoping at the end.

9'm not regretful for final chapter.

As if now, 9 feel.



9'd take you along

On my story;

Wreck your walls.

And standing on those ruins,

9'd let you.

Unravel some depths of this skin,

Before you figure a lifetime of seams

to unwind of bruises and grace,

so, you'd know.

I gave a part of me.

To see if you'd dive deeper still.

9'm not easy.

And that's not easy for you.

9 don't bow down to your greatness.

Like all the others do.

9 don't put you on a pedestal.

Revolve my world around you.

9 don't listen to your lies.

And accept them as truth.

9'm not easily fooled.

And that's not easy for you.