

(A Little Bit Closer To) What I Always Knew

The dream, it left me here
A little wiser, a little sadder but a little closer to you
A little less driven, again forgiven, a little closer to what I always knew
The dream, it left me here

The good times, they left me here
They come, they go, they never last, they might be gone but they'll be back
Into the night and out of the blue, a little closer to what I always knew
The good times, they left me here

Chorus

I've been driving for so long, this highway it feels like home
This road it goes on and on, I'll follow it til I know where I'm going
These headlights shine on this thin white line
I been here before but now I'm here with you
And I'm a little bit closer to what I always knew
Yeah, a little bit closer to what I always knew

Love, it brought me here
A little wiser, a little sadder but a little closer to you
A little less driven, again forgiven, a little closer to what I always knew
Where the light shines bright on the black and white, where the wrong's made right
and I can sleep at night
On the other side of what we went through, a little closer to what I always knew
Love, it brought me here

Repeat Chorus

...yeah, a little bit closer

(What's Left Of) Peace In Our Time

A nice warm day, don't let it slip away
The sun is sparkling on the waves, we're still OK
One more time for old time's sake
Let's make the best of what's left before it all gets too late ...before

Chorus

The closed eyes, the closed hearts, the unforgiving closed minds
The slings and arrows, the sharp words, well aimed and well timed
The closed windows, the closed doors, we've seen them before and we know the signs
Let's make the best of what's left of peace in our time

The 6 o'clock news keep the masses amused, and confused
The play by play the narrative's narrated 'til, it's approved
Virtual noise, virtual toys, spin that virtual wheel
Let's make the best of what's left before the virtual becomes too real...before

Repeat Chorus

Let's make the best of what's left of peace in our time
Let's make the best of what's left...

21st Century Digital Lullaby

All the ones and zeros, a virtual reality fairy tale town
Avatar heroes with their, virtual reality avatar crowns
Mesmerized and hypnotized, sitting on a digital throne, singing
A 21st century lullaby, together virtually but so alone

Don't give me truth-give me entertainment, the 21st century cry
So banal, but so brutal, a 21st century lullaby
Just keep moving, there's nothing here to see
Just some fool who went off the road, he od'd on his fantasy

Chorus

I'm just a pilgrim, passing through, another algorithmic day
Between the ones and the zeros and the zeros and the ones, the devil makes his
way, he says...
Look out on this digital desert, you could have all you see
We'll do a deal down at the crossroads, just your soul and you and me

Showered, powdered and cologned, a prisoner of a digital world
The voice of the zeitgeist calls to you, this year's model, this year's boy and girl
Get lost in this desert, blinded by a blue light glare
Spend your life, chasing shadows, wake up, there's nothing there

Repeat Chorus

...mesmerized and hypnotized
Sitting on a digital throne, singing
A 21st century lullaby
Together virtually, but so alone
La la la la la-la-la la...

A Broken Lullaby

Time for bed you sleepy head
Time to say goodnight
Time to close those sleepy eyes
I'll be here and I'll leave on this hall light

Time to wish upon a star
Like all the little dreamers do
Star light, star bright
All through the night they'll shine for you

Chorus 1 - Don't forget to say your prayers
For all the little children everywhere
For your Mom and your Dad
That they'll find again the love that they once had

Follow a moonbeam across the sky
Ride down that big dipper slide
Laugh and play like everything is one
Riding through the night to that morning sun

This old world goes around again
This old world loves its children
So close your eyes and dream your dreams
Of fairy tale castles, kings and queens

Repeat Chorus 1

Chorus 2 - Don't forget to say your prayers
For all the lost love that's everywhere
For your Mom and Dad so dear
That they'll find again the love that brought you here
...night, night

A Broken Man's Prayer

That sweet summertime, that sweet summer wine
No regrets, not yet, no one left behind
The future was easy, my mind was still mine
But the shadows hid in that sweet summertime

The road can get twisted, between dusk and dawn
Where the darkness calls like a siren's song
You learn to make right and wrong disappear
'til you can trade the truth for what you want to hear

Chorus

The devil watches, dangerous and disguised
Shapes shift in the darkness, where the shadows have eyes
The other side of temptation, he waits for me there
The only thing between us, is a broken man's prayer

First time was easy, 'til want became need
And the mind's dark thoughts, became the body's dark deeds
The truth it bleeds, through a broken memory
Of a wide open future that, now will never be

Repeat Chorus

...the only thing between us, is a broken man's prayer
...the only thing still standing, is a broken man's prayer

A Candle For The Prodigal

Paying the price, trying to find my way home
Down this dead-end road through the great unknown
I was guilty still I threw the first stone
Now my burning mind won't leave me alone

Stoking the fire, I don't know what for
Cause there's nothing I want here, not anymore
Closing my mind, closing my heart, closing that door
Using dollars and cents to keep score

Chorus

Burn a candle, shine a light
Say a prayer for me tonight
Too far gone, too tired to fight
I miss you so much, goodnight

Road to nowhere, road to ruin
I'm so out of time, I'm out of tune
Empty songs, empty words, empty rooms
The lessons are hard, but they'll be over soon

Repeat Chorus

...I miss you so much

A Child's Summer Sun

Sweet summer days under a child's summer sun
A world wrapped in warm summer light
Racing with the shadows, home before dark
All together on a warm summer night

Bless this family, bless this food
God bless this house hanging on the wall
Drifting away, drifting off to sleep
Soft voices echo down the hall ...while

Chorus

Children dreamed, the dreams of a child
And the stars told stories in the sky
Tomorrow was waiting for the future to begin
And the river sang its sweet lullaby

They feel so far away, on these cold winter days
Those summers were short but their shadows are long
Now I'm trying to ride through time on this bottle of wine
And break through to those years with a song ...where

Repeat Chorus – 2X

A Dog's Last Ride

The days get so dark, the body falls apart, the light behind the eyes grows dim
She does what she can, stumbles where she once ran, struggles to get up and get in
We both know it's time but we both close our minds, for one last ride in the car
It's right but it feels all wrong, short time here long time gone, one last night
beneath these earthly stars

The last time, the last road, nothing left but the letting go, the trust is still in her eyes

I carry her now, along the walk she used to run down, when we were young and time was on our side

That door is closed, I think she knows, her master is calling her home

A job well done, my faithful one, you gave so much more than you'll ever know

Chorus - And I see her running free, through the grass, through the trees, and the wind it blows in her hair

Once again so young, eyes so full of fun, chasing the wind to who knows where

I say goodbye, my breath turns to a sigh, drive home alone and so the story ends
I wish I was wise, knew the reasons, knew the why's, I wish we could all start again

But everyone I know, I'll lose they'll go, don't know how, don't know when

Well that old dog she's gone, but she left me this song, that I sing when I think of my best friend

Repeat Chorus

A Dream Wrapped In A Wish

The day is done, nowhere to go,
No one to meet, no one new I want to
know I watch the evening, pass me by
Here with what you left me with in my heart and my mind

Chorus

And I'll dream of you tonight, and in my dream you'll smile, but your
smile it won't be right

And I won't hear, what you say, when I try to touch you, you'll drift
away Like a vapour trail, like a silent mist, like a fading flame, like a
fleeting kiss It won't last long, a few seconds at best, it's just a dream
wrapped in a shadowed wish

Riding home, on this subway car, I'm underground I can't see the sky
or stars

Trying to hold on, trying to let go, of who I wanted us to be so long ago

Repeat Chorus

A Face I Never Thought I'd Know

Just another face in the crowd
One more someone I'd never thought I'd know
Kind of quiet, kind of pretty, just another day in a faceless city
Passing by each other on different roads

But one thing leads to another
Doors are closing while doors are opening
A piece of string, a butterfly wing, no one knows what tomorrow's going to bring
More of the same or a face that changes everything

Chorus

Shadows passing in the night
Trying to keep on the right side of right
Out of the mystic, out of the blue
You don't see it coming til it changes everything and it changes you

A face from another time and place
One more someone I never thought I'd know
Who'd take me to the other side of fire and water and timeless tides Places
I never thought I'd go

Repeat Chorus

A Gift From God

A child is born, a gift from God
A blessing, a heavenly light
Promises are made, prayers are prayed
Lord keep this child in your care and on the path that is right

In a mothers' love and a fathers' care, in a future that is everywhere This
child becomes part of the great mystery
The innocence, the fears, a parents prayer, the joy, the tears As
the days find their way to what it is that they will be

Chorus

And the parents of these parents, the ones who came before Will
hold a place in their hearts, for this child forevermore
They remember the days, the years they've known, when the future was theirs
not so long ago
In a newborn world under an innocent sky, it all went by in the blink of an eye

Patience, forgiveness, all the lessons to be learned, as the child becomes the
teacher and the wheel of time it turns
The future is here but the past is never gone, what was and what will be in this
gift from God lives on, and on

Repeat Chorus

...a child is born, a gift from God

A Glimpse Of Eden

Vanity and desire, in an ego empire
More and more of less and less, eyes wide open but so tired
Wanting to leave, but fighting to stay
All those wasted years, all those driven days

A humble heart, an innocent soul
Traded for the price of a fool's paradise and a piece of that same fool's gold
Looking for a reason, practiced in the art of self-deceiving
And you'll get, a glimpse of Eden, just as you're leaving

Chorus

If you ever think of me, try to be kind
If you want to, know where I am, I'm right here but my mind's in another time
I keep thinking, you're coming home
But I've lost track of the hours
The days become years, while memories get wrapped in tears
And the silence gets louder and louder

Higher and higher, walking that tightrope wire
Between the never was and the never should have been, further from love's
burning fire
Every fool finds his reasons that his mind'll find a way of believin'
And you'll get, a glimpse of Eden, just as you're leaving

Repeat Chorus

A Good Day (Sunshine Sketches Of A Folk Festival)

Chorus 1 - It's a good day for a new day, a good day for me and you
It's a good day, for the sun to shine, a good day for our dreams to come true

The ordinary stays the same 'till you realize everything's changed, and the good times they'll only be here for awhile

The future's always unwritten, the past is the only given, it lives somewhere between a tear and a smile

Repeat Chorus

When we all sang along with the folk singer's sweet sad song, we broke through the chains of time someway, somehow

Lost memories, lost places, laughing eyes, smiling faces, became one with the here and the now

Chorus 2 - It's a good day for some music, a good day for a song
It's a good day, for the sun to shine, cause tomorrow, today will be gone
Tag: ...Yeah, it's a good day, for the sun to shine

A Hippie Lament

The flower children, sweet and naïve
They thought their drugs were gonna take them to the stars
Turn on, tune in drop out, the trip was gonna be far out
Expanded minds were gonna take them so far

What goes round comes round in time
Inside that Pandora's Box you'll find
Poison promises, deceit, madness in the street
Broken hearts and homes and all the broken minds

Chorus

They were right about peace and love
They were right about the brotherhood of man
They were right about the earth and sky, the beauty thereof
But they were wrong about the drugs
Yeah, they were wrong about the drugs

Now it's...Here's one to help you smile
And here's one to help you sleep
Here's one to set you free from what you don't want to believe
And all those things you never wanted to see
...Turn on, tune in drop out, the trip was gonna be far out
Too high, too blind to see, how dark the price would be

Repeat Chorus

Yeah, they were wrong.....about the drugs

A Humble Heart

The fire burns bright sending sparks into the night
They burn so bright then they're gone
A lonely guitar plays some old tune from some old hit parade
One more here and long gone song
A picture from before tells you you don't belong here anymore
You've changed and nothing feels the same
The air's grown cold and you know where time's road is gonna go
So far from those smiling eyes you'll never see again

Chorus

The answers were easy til the days got hard
You play with fire, you get burned
The arrogant mind becomes broken and scarred
Leaves a humble heart finally ready to learn

Flying high til that high tide turns low
And you ride the slippery slope til you hit that wall
You take your little pills til the emptiness is filled
And you feel like you feel nothing at all

Repeat Chorus

...a humble heart finally ready to learn
...a humble heart

A Humble Humility

A free ride on an easy road, there'd be no wrong turns, no unpaid tolls
I'd never have to learn to let go, of what I knew I'd never be able to hold
In vogue, chic lines from my up to date, in style, modern mind
Right in line, right in time, keeping ahead of what got left behind

Chorus

All the should'ves and the could'ves
The might've beens, that never end
The easy takes and the hard mistakes
Too little, too late, all the never agains
Over and over those bridges they burn
Again and again 'til the lesson gets learned
And your naïve pride, your sad vanity
Become a broken man's wisdom and a humble humility
...a humble humility

The arrogance of youth, you're wrong and I'm right
With each sad regret that arrogance fades like the future that used to be so bright
'til it gets so dark all you can see is how wrong, you can be
And there's nothing left but a kind of broken humble humility

Repeat Chorus

A Kid With A Uniform And A Gun (Lest We Forget)

Don't know what you saw over there, another time someplace somewhere,
just a kid with a uniform and a gun

Sign up for something to do, steady pay across an ocean of blue
somewhere in the land of the midnight sun

A medal for bravery, and a few medals more, dispatches from that far east war,
discharge papers all kept in a drawer

A question from a curious kid, what was it like, what you did
there's a far-away look for an answer, nothing more

Chorus

Memories, of long gone heroes who still live in your dreams

Memories, of the good and the bad and all the gray in-between

Memories, can't forget what should have never been

Memories, lest we forget...

Nothing said, nothing more, than a black & white photo worn and torn,
he was so young, could've been anyone

Someone's brother, someone's son, a memory now, forever young,
just a kid with a uniform and a gun

Chorus

So you carry that flag in that fall parade, for all the ones not here today,
for what you saw and for what was done

Good and evil, black and white, you did your best, what you thought was right
just a kid with a uniform and a gun

A Land He Never Thought He'd Leave

Late afternoon, nothing done
The end of another day almost begun
In the twilight light, he's here again
Between the day and the night, the now and the then

The sun used to roam across that sky
It shone like a dream seen through a dreamer's eyes
And what he saw was what he wanted to see
And what he knew was what he wanted to believe

Chorus

He caught a glimpse of his eyes in the rear view mirror
He used to know that guy but he's a stranger here
In the land of what's left of what he used to be
In the land of what's left of what he used to believe
So far away from a land he never thought he'd leave

Eyes on the road and hands on the wheel
Before what's left of what's gone gets way too real
Stay ahead of the curve and ahead of the past
Ahead of a tomorrow coming way too fast

Repeat Chorus

...so far away from a land he never thought he'd leave

A Late Night Drive

A late night drive in the car
Underneath that full moon and those bright shining stars
On this old road we've travelled on for so long
Through so much that we've known and so much that has gone

The radio is playing soft and low
Some old song that we both know
Bout drifting away and rock n roll and finding the beat to free your soul
Some old tune we danced to so long ago

Chorus

Further and further along
Through the here and the now and what's left of what's gone
Through the darkness, the shadows, the light
Just you and me driving through the night
Into what will be in the great beyond
Into the mystery of a new day dawn

A quiet moment, nothing needs to be said
We both know we don't know what lays ahead
Driving through the night it feels like a dream
A dream within a dream through all we've been and seen

Repeat Chorus

A Long Way Back Home

The waves flow both ways, in and out, here and gone
The days fade away, the shadows grow long
The reasons were easy under that night light good time sky
Til the why's got harder and were answered with a sigh

Chorus

It's a long way back home
A long way back from all the here and the gones you've known
The never agains, the nevermores, the drawn curtains and the closed doors
Back to where the future was still unknown before the memories wouldn't leave
you alone
It's a long way back home
A long, long way back home

The times were good and the nights were bright
The girls were so pretty under those neon lights
No one would be left behind, no broken hearts
The words were easy til the promises got hard

Repeat Chorus

A Love That Never Let Us Go

When you hang on for too long, the years will start to show
...you that sometimes, the letting go, is the only way back home
Through the seasons of plenty and the seasons of want those winds of change
they'll blow
Sometimes they let you see what you want to believe 'til they show you what you
don't want to know

Chorus

But tonight the lights are turned down low
As we waltz cross the floor so soft and so slow
Like the dance that we've shared on the so many roads
Through the forever now and the long ago
They're all one with this moment, all the highs and the lows
Of a love that never let us go

The future waits under a faraway sky where we'll see and we'll reap what's been
sown

By you and I and the ones long gone and the ones that we couldn't hold
In the days that disappeared like the memory of dream we once wrapped in silver
and gold
That still live in the eyes of the old
In their prayers, their hearts and their souls
And the lines on their faces left by time's tolls

Repeat Chorus

... a love that wouldn't let us go

A Man And A Women

Half-forgotten memories of half-forgotten years
Half-forgotten moments in time
A man and a woman, in a world so young and free
Summer dreams, summer songs, summer wine
From the dance of desire to the flame of love's refining fire
Through the good, the bad, the ups and the downs
Through all those young years they held on to the love that brought them here
Yeah young love makes this old world go round

Halfway to the morning, awake through the night
The kids, the job, no money, no end in sight
He says, try not to worry she says I won't, if I'm with you
Tomorrow we'll try to make it all alright
A man and a woman, the twists, the trials, the turns
The reasons to go, reasons to stay
Through all those middle years they held on to the love that brought them here
When they got lost they let love lead the way

I'm half way down the stairs, I see them in the kitchen light
Dancing 'cross the floor to some radio show
A couple of kids whose kids now have kids of their own
A man and a woman dancing together alone
He whispers I love you, she says I love you too
They move in time back and forth so slow
Through all the shared years they held on to the love that brought them here
And they dance a dance only love would know
...through all the shared years they held on to the love that brought them here
And they dance a dance only love would know

A Man Out Of Time

He climbed the mountain, he reached for the prize
But the gold lost its lustre in the light
The curtain closed and the shadow fell
On a dream that once shone so bright

Now he doesn't recognize the mystery in the mirror
What's left in his heart or on his mind
Nothing's over 'til it's over but nothing's what it used to be
For a man out of time

Chorus

Aching for the warmth of yesterday's sun
Yesterday's reasons and wine
He can't let go of what can't be left undone
He can't leave what the future's left behind
...he's a man out of time

Hindsight is easy, you just twist it 'til it's right
But, to tomorrow everyone is blind
The road not taken casts shadows on the one that was
For a man out of time

Repeat Chorus - 1st four lines-then full chorus-(with tag line)

A New Day Dawn

A half remembered scene in a half forgotten dream somewhere between the shadow and the light

A sadness waits in the memory traces of smiling faces fading into the night

But the morning comes with its promise

The gift of a new day dawn

A new day dance, another chance

To make some kind of peace with what's left of what's gone

The darkness finds the day and the waves find the shore

And the lost wait to be found

Onward through the mystery of what was and what will never be

This old world keeps turning round and round

We're still here with this broken beauty

Still alive riding this river of time

Trying to find some peace with tomorrow and today and with what got left behind

... The morning comes with its promise

The gift of a new day dawn

A new day dance, another chance

To make right what went wrong

To sing a new day song

To make some kind of peace with what's left of what's gone

A Perfect Day

To lay on the beach, in a summertime dream
The water's so warm and the sky's so blue
To have an innocent mind, with lots of time
To change every way i ever mistreated you

Playing music, feeling free,
Everybody singing along in, perfect harmony
And if I could hold you again, and know the right words to say
Yeah, that would be a perfect day

To run like a child, and get lost for a while
To know I'll be safe when I get home
To see an old friend, and laugh again
About all the good times that we've both known

The kids are going crazy, having the time of their lives
The old folks are smiling, the years have made them wise
And to see you one more time and know that your OK
That would be a perfect day

Bridge - Nothing to forgive, nothing to forget
Just the road that lays ahead
All the debts have been paid, and peace has been made
With everything i've ever done, thought or said

The sound of a train, a walk after the rain
Sit by the fire with a child on my knee
Everyone I love, safe and warm
Knowing they'll always be close to me

A story before bed, you sleepy head
Don't forget to turn out the lights
If I could only touch again, all the love that slipped away
That would be a perfect day

If I could just hear you say, you've come back home to stay
That would be a perfect day

A Prayer For You

Day to night, night to day, somehow you find your way
Round and round and round the sun, and back to where you came from
Ask for guidance from above, say a prayer for the ones you love
The ones still here, the ones left behind, they're long gone now but those ties still bind

Chorus

Say a prayer for those who've hurt you too
Maybe now they're saying a prayer for you
Maybe now they're sorry for everything they put you through

You live with what's left of what you've been through
You shift through shades of gray for some kind of truth
A rhyme within a rhyme, a dream within a dream
Some kind of reason for all you've seen and been

Ask for guidance from above, say a prayer for the ones you love
The ones still here, the ones left behind, they're long gone now but those ties still bind

Repeat Chorus

...Say one for me I know I hurt you it's true
You know everyday now I say a prayer for you
And for some kind of forgiveness for all the things I put you through

A Regular Guy

He's a regular guy, goes to bed at ten, 'cause he's got to get up early do it all again
He's an OK neighbour and a real good friend to his friends
You see him on the weekends at the BBQ, a regular guy with a joke or two But
between the laughs the sometimes sadness breaks through

He's a regular guy, a wife and kids so sweet, works all week to make ends meet
A regular guy just walking his dog down the street
He hides it well, he's a regular guy, supports the home team, the local charity drive
But when the light gets dark there's a sadness in his eyes

Chorus

A regular guy, with a regular guy's, sometimes sadness in his eyes
For a dream long gone, that's disappeared, gone with the wind and the long gone
years
Or Someone, someplace, way too little, way too late
Way too fast, way too high, too close to the sun, wings that never got to fly
Just a regular guy, with a regular guy's, sometimes sadness in his eyes

Sometimes he remembers what he tries to forget, a sad mistake, a secret regret
He stays in line but sometimes he's a little out of step
There'll be a party tonight under the summer sky, he'll dance with his wife, close
his eyes, he'll smile and wave, like a regular guy

Repeat Chorus

A Sacred Wound

There used to be so much time
Til forever, became never again
Everything in its place, all the lines would rhyme
Now there's just silence, where the echoes end

Living in the in between, sometimes I'm only half here
Disappearing, like tears in the rain
With all the fading traces, of faces and places
I know, I'll never see again

Chorus

Hands on this wheel while the radio plays some old tune
We used to sing together when laughter would still fill that room
Following those faraway stars I think we always knew
The future was coming and it would be here way too soon
And we'd never be innocent again
And there'd be burning bridges we couldn't mend
And that bell was going to toll but we didn't know yet for whom
And grief would become a sacred wound

I thought I knew what I needed to know
Til I saw what I didn't want to see
I thought I knew what loss could do
Til all that was left were the empty spaces between
All the goodbye prayers wrapped in a memory

Repeat Chorus

...yeah grief would become a sacred wound

A Silent Prayer

Went downtown to get lost in the crowd
Kept my collar up, my head bowed down
I came back home, you weren't there
Just the silent sound of my silent prayer

Now I'm on the other side of the other hand
So many things here I don't understand
Sometimes I see but mostly I'm blind
And I don't know what to do with what you left behind

Chorus

I know you won't be coming home
I turn out the light, I don't answer the phone
I close my eyes, I whisper a prayer
Wherever you are I hope you're happy there

Make a wish upon a star
Shoot the moon from this house of cards
Spin the wheel, let it go
But where it's going to stop I already know

Repeat Chorus

...wherever you are I hope you're happy there

A Simple Sadness

Uninvited ghosts arrive at their unappointed time
With the same old broken memories
A million should'ves and a million could'ves
And a million what might have beens

Through the looking glass, through the other side
You'll find her there tonight
In the land of sweet sorrow and sweet souveniers
In sepia toned rose coloured light

Chorus - After all the anger, the hate, and the sorrow
A simple sadness is all that remains
For what never was and for what will never be
And for what she'll never know again

Everyone remembers what they need to
Trying to climb back up that slippery slope
Words unspoken, memories broken 'til there's
Nothing left but a shadow of smoke

And those uninvited ghosts arrive at their unappointed time
They always, find you
Between the mixed up memories and the mixed up mysteries
She still doesn't know what was true

Repeat Chorus – 2X
...she still doesn't know what was true

A Song For You

Here's a song for you, like the ones we used to sing
When the years were young, we didn't know what tomorrow would bring
The stars were aligned with the lights in the northern sky
The sun shone on a future where we'd never have to wonder why

Here's a song for you and for all that's come and gone
When the times got hard and it was you that stayed so strong
You could have done better but you stayed right here with me
Through the good and the bad the what was and the what never would be

Chorus

It's not much, just a tune out of time and a little out of date
A platitude or two and a couple of tired clichés
About love and life and the everyday day to day
Like some greeting card I found in some gift, shop display
I know it's not much but there's no song that I could play
That sounds like what the heart and soul know but no words can say

Thank you for your smile, the eyes I know so well
The days and times we've shared, the stories only we can tell
We rode those waves of years, the old, the new, the borrowed and blue
I'd do it all again if I knew that you would be there too
I've not much to offer for all that we've been through
Just these memories wrapped in this song I wrote for you

Repeat Chorus

...that sounds like what the heart and soul know but no words can say

A Trick Of The Light

Once the future was so bright, or was that just a trick of the light
Once the prize was worth the fight, one more trick of the light
Another road, another mile, we live with what we become
Everything is only for awhile, and there's still so much to be done

One more day, one more year, one more worry, one more fear
One more grain of sand on the shore, The answers aren't so easy anymore
The doors, they close without a sound, you won't know what it's worth 'till it's gone
You can't go back or turn around, you make your peace and you move on

One minute young and strong, next almost done, almost gone
We live somewhere between right and wrong, we do what we do to get along
Once the future was so bright, or was that just a trick of the light
Once the prize was worth the fight, one more trick of the light

A Walk On A Windy Day (Second Chances)

I'd like to go for a walk with you, like two old friends might do
Tell you where I've been, look into your eyes again, ask what's new with you

Maybe we'd be a little nervous, with what we've put each other through
But maybe you'd smile, for a little while, maybe I'd smile too

Chorus

If I could hold you again, Maybe you'd feel what I can't say
A touch can tell so much, When words just get in the way

Maybe we'd stop for a minute, share a moment in time
What's gone is gone, what's done is done, we've both been cruel, let's be kind

Repeat Chorus

Maybe this time we'd be careful, playing around each other's heart
Maybe this time we'd remember, how fragile things fall apart

A Worried Man

A worried man with a worried mind
In a strange land, a strange time
Keeps his collar high, his eyes down low
Doesn't want to see what he doesn't want to know

Chorus

One step in front of the other
One more worry, then another
The line is getting fine, the swan sings its song
Still he tries to hang on to what he knows is already gone
...Already gone

Watches what he does, checks what he says
Doesn't know who he is, or recognize his friends
Friends look like strangers and the strange is getting stranger
And the tin foil hat man is looking, saner and saner

Repeat Chorus

Riding the crazy train through the crazy town
To the other side of the upside down
Watching the spin, the narrative news
Waiting for the truth to break on through

Repeat Chorus

...A worried man's song

About Me

Here's my rendition, of my own arrangement, of a song I wrote, about me
There's so much to say 'bout my day to day, 'bout my current state, 'bout my
deeds, 'bout my needs

Chorus -1

Here's the stuff about love gone wrong, from my point of view but it is my song
And the stuff about where I've been and gone, yeah six or seven minutes, I could
go on and on

Here's a few more lines with more to come, all those serious and sensitive ones
...about me, more about me, yeah I love this subject, this could be a masterpiece,
about me, yeah me...

Here's my rendition, of my own arrangement, of a song I wrote, about me
For just \$9.99 you could listen to me whine and get your very own recording of
this song I wrote about me

Chorus-2

I'd sing about you but it's not what I do, it's all about me, from my point of view
And if you thought this was over well you'd be wrong, it might feel like forever
'cause it just goes on and on

With more and more words and more lines to come, every note a serious and
sensitive one

...about me, more about me, yeah I love this subject, this could be a masterpiece,
about me, yeah me...

...I know the worlds just waiting for me to write one more fascinating song about
me

Adam's Blues

Me & Eve in Eden, the garden was our happy home
Me & Eve in Eden, the garden was our happy home
A gift from heaven, cause a man should not be alone

She's been talking to the devil, I can tell by the look in her eyes
She's been talking to the devil, I can tell by the look in her eyes
Her voice sounds so sweet but her words are so full of lies

Come on over here, forbidden fruit's in this tree
Come on over here, forbidden fruit's in this tree
Knowledge of good and evil, make you powerful and free

Now I'm east of Eden, Lord I'm trying to find my mind
Yeah, I'm east of Eden, Lord I'm trying to find my mind
The past is catching up and the devil is close behind

Afterglow

A young face, with shining eyes, in the morning light
A silent wish, inside a dream, in the night
Every gift, every song, every thing that I know, every sign
The first touch, the last kiss, the last time

Chorus

So many steps, so many roads, You're the best, I'll ever know
Take my hand, don't let go, One last dance, in the afterglow

The peace, of a sleeping child, in the afternoon
Long time gone, gone so long, gone so soon

Repeat Chorus

... take my hand, don't let go, One last dance, in the afterglow
... one last dance, through all we've known
... one last dance

All In Good Time

Waiting for, that morning dawn, to let me know, the darkness is gone
Waiting for, that noonday bell, when you'll meet me, by the wishing well

Chorus

All in good time, again, you'll be mine
All in good time, this broken heart, I'll leave behind

Waiting for, that evening light, with its' promise of, a magic night
Waiting for, that peaceful sleep, where wishes come true, in dreams so real, so sweet

Repeat Chorus

...all in good time, we'll be fine, love's light will shine
...and these dark, shadowed days we'll leave behind, all in good time...

All Of The Times

The streetlights shine on these streets that have seen all of the times
We sighed and tried to hold on to a hopeful heart
All the times we had, the good and the bad and the sad
holding on through the night 'til the light broke free of the dark

The should've said and the never done, the almost here and the almost gone, the old, the new, the borrowed and the blue
The miles ahead, the road beyond, the sometimes right and the sometimes wrong, and the end of the day when there was just me and you

Chorus

Those times are still here, they live in the smile in your eyes and the tears you cry
And the souvenirs you still hold in your hands
A picture, a book, a blanket, a card, a letter from a loved one so far from here, all those souvenirs only we understand

Under the beauty of that morning sun, the same one that shone on everyone and everything, we've known
I hold you close, I hold you tight, here between the wrong and the right
And the love that lets me know, I'm home

Repeat Chorus

All Souls Day

It's All Souls Day
A day to remember a day to pray
For the ones who've slipped away
For the ones still loved and the ones unnamed
The ones we'll never see again
Till this old world comes to its end
Wrapped in a November gray
It's All Souls Day

The faithful departed they wait
For a prayer to help them pass through that heavenly gate
Where infinity, faith and fate
Wait for forgiveness for the hour is late
For the ones we'll never see again
Here in the land of lost souls and weary pilgrims
Just a prayer to help them on their way
On All Souls Day

Everything goes but nothing ends
Tomorrow becomes today while now becomes then
Time's wheel never breaks and it never bends
Infinity it goes on forever
For the ones we'll never see again
In this broken world of broken men
The prayers of the faithful they rise
Through the gray of November skies
For all the ones who've slipped away
It's All Souls Day

All The Ways That Winter Is Getting So Real

The ways, the days are getting so cold
The way, the time's getting harder to hold
The way the sky looks like I feel
All the ways that winter is getting so real
All the ways that winter is getting so real

See how the leaves blow in the wind
The way the light is giving way to the darkness again
The way that we wait for what the season will reveal
All the ways that winter is getting so real
All the ways that winter is getting so real

Bridge

A childhood memory in an old man's mind
The silent sound of time out of time
Here with what's left of what the years didn't steal
Winter's coming, and it's getting so real

Old friends getting old, you see it in their eyes
The soul of time passing through their lives
Spring, summer, fall, time's timeless wheel
All the ways that winter is getting so real
All the ways that winter is getting so real

Almost Real Til It's Gone

The night it falls and the light it fades
Into a dream of a long gone yesterday
When the young sun shone on a young day's dawn
Before between right and wrong became all, that was left of what was gone

A dream surreal, a truth almost revealed
But it's not quite right, no, it's not quite real
Just a fading face in the empty space left by a memory trace
Of a long, gone, time and place

Chorus

Where the lost are almost found in a look, a glance
A smile, a tear, almost another second chance
Just a moment, that doesn't last
On the other side of time, til the moment's past
It's here and it's now but it's long ago
Before the years disappeared on that long road home
Like an unsaid prayer, an unsung song
A memory wrapped in a dream, that's almost real, til it's gone

Almost real, almost here
Til you try to touch it and and it all disappears
A fleeting feeling, a dream sad and sweet
A wistful whisper, barely there but buried so deep

Repeat Chorus

...Yeah, it's almost real, til it's gone

Almost Through

Almost through, almost through,
You're here with me, and I'm with you
The days grow short but that sky is still so blue

Passing time, passing time,
In the wrong, out of line
Laying low waiting for some kind of sign

I did my best, I'll leave the rest,
Nobody wins when there's nothing left
Wrong side of the rainbow, wrong side of the road
But you never know which way that wind's going to blow

Here and there, here and there,
All the memories, years we've shared
Somewhere between a promise and a prayer

Almost through, almost through
You're still with me and I'm still with you
The days grow short but that sky is still so blue

America 1962

Movie stars in Malibu, 1962
Living the Life in Look magazine
No Dallas, no Vietnam, no Altamont, no Manson
Just Disney and Hefner and the American dream

Movie stars in a home movie, smiling for the camera by the sea
Martinis on the patio
A drink and a cigarette, shadows and silhouettes
The light's always right when you're not old

Chorus

From the playboy mansion to Disneyland
America the new promised land
Under that sky, so red, white and blue
From the Magic Kingdom to Las Vegas
The money says "In God We Trust"
America 1962

No Detroit riots, no Kent State
Just marching bands and drive-in dates
Madison Avenue says the good times are here to stay
Washington, Camelot, La Dolce Vita, Some Like It Hot
Watergate is years away

Repeat Chorus

Movie stars in Malibu, in 1962
Living the Life in Look magazine
Martinis on the patio, technicolor tan wrapped in a neon glow
Disney and Hefner, and the American dream

An Echoing Echo

Wide open eyes and skies, wide open roads
They slipped through my hands, with all the things I'll never understand
Like love and dreams and echoing echoes

Sometimes it seems like just yesterday, sometimes it seems like so long ago
Sometimes I turn around, I think I hear those young year sounds, but it's only an
echoing echo

Chorus

They ride on the winds of innocence, fate and whim
And for a moment this strange world becomes one I used to know
Where nevermore is gone and never again never was
Those distant echoing echoes

I pull my collar high under that cold winter sun
And dream of yesterday's warm summer rain
The evening bells sound like every long gone last time
But it's only the echo echoing again

Repeat Chorus

... Nothing but a dream, traces of what's been
A piece of broken string that won't let me go
Nothing but a word, a long gone song I once heard
Nothing but, an echoing echo
... Nothing but, an echoing echo

An Old Man's Radio

Transistor radio, summertime songs
Now and forever, would never be gone
Streetlights burned, under stars so bright
Radio waves on a warm summer night

Chorus-1

Crimson And Clover, over and over
Crimson And Clover, over and over and over

The Beatles broke up, the Stones got so hard
The dream became Altamont, December dark
The waves roll on, the days grow cold
A once young man's song, lives on on an old man's radio

Chorus-2

Crimson And Clover, over and over
Crimson And Clover, over and over and over
Good Vibrations, on an old man's radio station
Crimson And Clover, over and over and over

An Old Man's Tear

He's still here but he's never far gone
From another time, time and place where he once belonged
He smiles a knowing smile but he doesn't have much to say
Just an old man's tear for all the years that slipped away

Living in a gotcha world he's got to watch his step
He lives with what he is, his mistakes and what he can't forget
The songs he used to sing, with the voices he used to know
The hands he couldn't hold on that long ago, long gone road

Chorus

Every day is judgment day
Every day, he prays
For the souls long gone for the ones that won't let him go
For the souls waiting for him to find his way back home

A baby's laugh, an old man's favorite sound
In this tired, old world that keeps going round and round
Where the mornings break the spell of his night time dreams
And bring another day to make peace with all he's seen and been
In this land of never agains and forever goodbyes
He smiles a knowing smile and wipes an old man's tear from his eyes

Repeat Chorus

...He's still here but he's never far gone
From another time, time and place where he once belonged

An Old Man's Tears

Chorus

An old man's mind, it lives in another time
His strength lives in those long gone years
All the ways he tried, can be found in his eyes
And all the unanswered whys in his tears

So true so strong for so many, for so long
Held his ground, never showed his hand
Now a setting sun, a shooting star, an old dog stumbling in the park
Will bring a tear to the eyes of this old man ...cause

Repeat Chorus

Bridge

Through all the hard years, you'd never see a tear
Now they fall over the smallest thing
A picture, a word, a trembling baby bird
Or a half forgotten song he used to sing ...cause

Repeat Chorus

A regret that time won't let him forget
Crossed swords, crossed wires and crossed lines
A lost cause, a lost word, a lost love that still hurts
A mistake time won't let him leave behind ...cause

Repeat Chorus

An Old Picture Of You

Found an old picture of you
Under a young summer sky so blue
Birthday cake and candles, some friends you once knew
In that old picture of you

I know the faces, don't remember the names
I know how but I don't know why things change
I know how the innocent, can become the blamed
I know how but I don't know why, the why can't be explained
I found an old picture of you...

Chorus

I close the door, walk into the night
Cause when I'm all alone in the dark I'm closer to the light
Of what's so long gone, but once shone so bright
I'm all alone with what's left but I'm alright

Found an old picture of you
Under a young summer sky so blue
You're smile was real, the innocence was true
Before you knew what this old world would put you through
I found an old picture of you

Repeat Chorus

I'm all alone with what's left but I'm alright
...I found an old picture of you

An Open Stage Odyssey

I practiced this at home, it sounded real fine
But then again, my wife she says I'm deaf
I knew all the words my fingers knew the chords
I thought this one was one of my best

So I go to the Open Stage, have a beer or two
It'll soon be time to get up and sing
Starting to feel a little worried, one more drink for a little courage
I tune my guitar, warm up my strings ...here I go...

Chorus

I make my way to the stage on wobbly legs
Trying to recall the first line of the song
My hands are shaking, I can't find the chords
The words just left my head and the tune is gone
But I blunder my way through, make it to the end
I wish they'd let me try to do it again
I leave and I say thanks, I blame it on the drinks I drank
Over pity applause from my friends

I'm working on a new song, almost got it figured out
It's sounding great, I just can't wait
To unveil my latest greatest, magnum opus
At the next Open Stage date ...here I go...

Repeat Chorus

...I know I'd get it right if they'd let me do it again

Anhedonia

The eyes they live with what they've seen
The heart it aches for where it's been
The bridges they burn with flames of blame
And again can never be the same

Caught in the slipstream, lost in the crowd
Where silence is the password and it gets so loud
It's the same old game with brand new rules
And time has no patience for an out of step fool

Chorus

Anhedonia, the good times they washed up, on the shore
Anhedonia, their grounded now, but once they soared
On wings of love, above their fears
On wings of trust, above their tears
On wings of time, above their years
But Anhedonia, there's just you and me left around here

A heart of darkness, a heart of stone
A silent sadness, all alone
A lost highway, the long road home
All that's left of all we've known

Close the door, shut out the light
Here somewhere between what's wrong and what's right
No one rides for free, you know you'll pay the price
You can, fool yourself in the day but not in the night

REPEAT CHORUS

(* **Anhedonia** is the inability to feel pleasure.)

Another Compromise

I traded sleep for asphalt and tar, where , headlights flash like shooting stars
I set my radio dial to roam, if you called I wouldn't be at home

It's a wasted life always chasing something new, cause in the end what you are is what you do

But when I look at all the stuff we've been through, it's scary to think where that leaves me and you

Now, I remember only what I want to know, didn't I tell you that this would be so
Cause, yesterday is a long time gone, just stolen words from someone else's song

Chorus

Once he was a child, with no plan for anything other than now
Once he was safe and warm, he never worried about why or how
His world was as big as the sky,
And all the love that he wanted, was in his mother's eyes
But innocence got destroyed by desire
And the truth became just another compromise

A song comes on the mobile radio machine, tune starts playing no one knows what it means
But that's OK cause it was written in code, by another restless rider on this midnight road

Neon sign flashes someone's name, television screen just looks the same
I traded dreams for sleep cause I ran out of time, but maybe I'll catch up a little further down the line

Repeat Verse 3

Repeat Chorus

Another Friend Gone

Another one gone and...
This old world just keeps moving on
A few words, one last song
Another one gone

A good and kind man
A teacher, a musician, a friend
He ran the race with strength and grace
To his journey's end

Chorus

Forever starts now and forever won't wait
We gather here, at this final farewell place
Over the bridge to the bend in the river
Where ashes become one with the now and forever

Like all these flowers,
Beautiful then they're gone
The wind it whispers
Nothing's here for long

A nod a smile
A word or two
One more reminder
We're all just passing through

Repeat Chorus

... Another friend gone and...
This old world just keeps moving on
A few words, one last song

Another Mile

I said honey take a walk with me
You said you seen all there is to see
Well, I got a few surprises in these old clothes
And what's waiting down the road ain't nobody knows

Well I've been here for 20 years or so
Killin time till I was ready to go
But I think I've been standing around for too long
Cause my future's behind me and my past is gone

Chorus

But if you wander these streets, all wrapped up in blues
You won't see nothing but your worn old shoes
So c'mon honey, give me a smile
And we'll walk together for another mile

My friends were playing football while I was losing hope
Trying to avoid the slippery slope
Building the fire, fanning the flame
You try to change everything it just winds up the same

I watched some kids, yeah i watched them play
They asked me where i was going, i had nothing to say
Well it's kind of confusing and it troubles my mind
When the answers keep changing along with the time

Second Chorus

Feed a fever, starve a cold
Follow the rainbow to a pot of gold
Set 'em up, just to knock 'em down
But your still standing after fifteen rounds

...And if you wander these streets, all wrapped up in blues
You won't see nothing, but your old worn shoes
So c'mon honey, give me a smile
And we'll walk together for another mile

Another New Year

Another new year, another chance to fly, around the sun, on this earthly ride
Another new year, another chance to try, to make things right while I've still got
the time

Another new year, another chance to do, all those things I should have done, to
show my love for you

Another new year, another chance to say, all those things you need to hear to let
you know we're OK

Another new year, another new year's day, carpe diem, before it all slips away
Another new year, another chance to make amends, forgive and forget, another
chance to start again

Another new year, another chance to let go, of the anger and fear that keeps me on
this nowhere road

Another new year, another chance to believe, in who we thought we were and who
we thought we could be

Bridge

The minutes, the months, the years
The memories, the souvenirs
The days fly by in the blink of an eye
Who knows where they'll take us from here

Another new year, another chance to say a prayer, for all the ones not here, that we
still carry with us everywhere

Another Time Tears

Searching for some way to make sense of the day
Watching for your eyes to say, we're OK
Waiting for a shooting star, a reason to believe
But I know that wheel is going to turn and there'll be one more reason for you to want to leave

I don't have to look too far
Sometimes I see it in your eyes and sometimes I feel it when I'm playing this guitar
A memory that never got left behind
Another time I'll never know that still lives somewhere in your heart, and in your mind

Chorus

I wait for you to come back home and leave the land of the in-between
You're here with me but you're somewhere else, somewhere I've never been
Another time, another place with someone no longer here
Who left you with a broken heart and made you cry another time tears

The autumn breeze finds the leaves, clinging to the trees
They know it won't be long that cold winter wind won't let them be
What's here is here and what's gone is gone but what's gone goes on and on
And I know those fires of yearning burn while that swan gets ready to sing another song

Repeat Chorus

Another Toronto Time

Walking down Yonge street, he remembers all the nights
When the Hawk was a rompin' and the band was out of sight
The girls were so pretty and he'd catch their eye
Now he's just some old man that they don't see when they walk by

Walking 'round Yorkville where that hippie dream was shared
Coffee shops, the Riverboat, revolution in the air
Where there was folk and rock troubadours, streets full of music
Now there's Prada, Saint Laurent, Louis Vuitton, Armani and Gucci

Chorus: An old man walking around Toronto

Past the places he used to go, down the streets he used to know
There were a lot of good times in this town, with a lot of people long gone now
So many stories that he could tell, from the first hello to the final farewell
Now he's an old man taking a stroll
Through the used to be's that he used to know
From another time a long gone time ago
Just an old man walking around Toronto

Down Queen to the Horseshoe where Stompin' Tom stomped out his songs
Up Spadina to the El Mocambo all the rock and roll that's come and gone
The streets they change, nothing stays the same, you can't go back he knows
Everything got different, while he got old

Repeat Chorus

...Maple Leaf Gardens, Kensington Market, Chinatown, Dundas Square
Honest Ed's, Sam The Record Man, City TV everywhere
Down to Union, catch the last train home, he gets in line
Just some old man, nobody knows, from another Toronto time

Apology

You've got to be ready to change all your plans
You've got to give all you can
You've got to lose all those selfish things you've been thinking of
And reach out to the ones, the ones that you love

I know it might sound strange, I know it don't seem right
But the shortest distance from here to there
Isn't push and shove until you win the fight
It's taken me awhile to learn, sometimes it's so hard to see
But everything that I give to you
It all comes back to me

Repeat Chorus

You know that it's a shame, the way we fight to sing our song
When everybody's taking, nobody wins
It can be so easy to get swept along
It's taken me awhile to learn, sometimes it's so hard to see
But everything that I give to you
It all comes back to me

Repeat Chorus

... and reach out to the ones, the ones that you love
... and reach out to the ones, the ones that you love

Are You Still Writing Those Songs

Hey, thanks for the news, looks like you're doing OK
The photos are nice, they say you're well, and on your way
A smiling face, a warm sun, straight and strong
But what I really want to know are you still writing those songs

You know you touched so many made them feel like they were home
You gave a voice to their soul, made them feel like they weren't all alone
That was then, this is now, and you've moved on
But what I really want to know are you still writing those songs

Chorus

‘bout all those things you’ve known, you’ve been through
‘bout all those things you’ve dreamed, and wanted to do
‘bout all the ways the days can be so right and so wrong
I really want to know that you’re still writing those songs

The time it goes so fast we don’t see it flying by
When the spell gets broken all we’re left with is a sigh, and goodbye
Here between the time to come and all the time that’s gone
But what I really want to know are you still writing those songs

Repeat Chorus

... I really want to know that you’re still writing those songs

Back In The Shadows

I was yours, but you were never mine, now I'm just a part of what you left behind
I don't want to go, but I know it's time, cause you belong in the past and out of my mind

It's a hard road back, from what might've been, 'cause I still live there in my dreams

Somewhere in the shadows, somewhere between, what I didn't know and what I want to believe

Chorus

A sun so bright, a sky so blue, that's what I think of when I think of you
Rose coloured memories, well I've got a few, I guess you've got your own but they're a darker hue

Here alone with loves' fragile plea, driven by desire, fueled by need
Back in the shadows, somewhere between, what I know I am and what I'll never be

Repeat Chorus – 2X

...this side of outside, looking in, here in the shadows of what might have been
...this side of the story, nothing left but the end, and you don't want to try to write it again

Backslider's Lament

I'm damaged Lord, I've got nothing to show
Who and where I've been, you already know
The past is catching up and the future's got nowhere to go

I keep moving, but I keep looking back
Watching and waiting, for the next attack
I'm wounded Lord, I keep falling off the track

Chorus 1

Standing here waiting, I don't even know what I'm waiting for
Maybe someone I've lost, someone I don't know anymore
Everything is different but everything is just the same
Everyone is guilty but no one's taking any blame

Put a log on the fire, it's getting cold,
The young are getting younger and I'm feeling so old
Too long in the medina, chasing that silver and gold

I'm empty Lord, I watch trash TV
Trying to fill the void, with celebrity
Trying to fill that hole, where you used to be

Chorus 2

The servants are waiting, waiting for the master to come home
They're praying in the temple still their demons won't leave them alone
Watching for some sign so that they might understand
How they drifted so far, so far from the holy land

Once I bought it, now I just want to know
Was it all for the money or just, for the show
Well, everything can change in a second, when you reap what you sow

Repeat Chorus 2

Before Forever Came To An End

Everything changes, as that river flows, the hometown world that I used to know
The village clock always a little bit off, the butcher, the baker and the donut shop
The candy floss at the fall fair, snow covered roads, everywhere
A forever world I'll never know again, a world I knew before forever came to an end

Chorus

All the first times that lead to the last, the innocent innocence that goes too fast
The centre of the world in the centre of town, the centre of forever when the sun goes down

The hometown team, the main street drive, over the bridge to the other side
A forever world I'll never know again, a world I knew before forever came to an end

The path through the woods, the main street stores, warm water nights down by the shore

The fires that burn under a star bright sky, the loon on the lake sounding that summer cry

The kids with their games, the old folks taking care, watching and waiting, they all were there

A forever world I'll never know again, a world I knew before forever came to an end

Repeat Chorus

...a world I knew before I knew forever could end

...Everything changes, as that river flows, the hometown world that I used to know

Before The Hard Part Begins

The night is so cold, But there's room at the Inn
Let's rest awhile, Before the hard part begins

Everything we've known, Everywhere we've been
All we've got is now, Before the hard part begins

The fire is so warm, Like the touch of your skin
Let's just be kind, Before the hard part begins

Chorus

Before you count what's lost, And what might have been
Before you add up the cost
Before I let you down, And the hard part begins
... Before I let you down, And the hard part begins

If everybody takes, Nobody wins
Just let me hold you, Before the hard part begins

One last dance, Before the music ends
One last chance, Before the hard part begins

Repeat Chorus

... Before I let you down, And the hard part begins

Berlin

The tower was quiet while the city moved,
It carried its' story over oceans of time
Once there were fires and horse's hooves
Now there's the nuclear turbine

Outside the church the children played
Some decadent game, they thought was new
The old priest waited he kneeled and he prayed
He'd seen it all before he'd only save a few

Chorus 1

I sat in the car while you drove me through the story
Of dangerous minds, of the power and the glory
I'll tell you a secret you said, it's not what you see
The wall came down but no one ever was set free

The tower got lost somewhere in the mist
The child's hand turned into a fist
The graffiti artist wouldn't sigh his name
Obscurity was part of the game

The old world screams for another chance
To prove it can do more than the war lord dance
But the blood of the past is everywhere
And a surreal world breathes a high tech prayer

Chorus 2

I could hear your voice but I never turned to see your face
You talked about cars and music, discipline, art and grace
Your words were careful, sometimes old, sometimes new
I hope that's always how I'll remember you

I walked cross the city in the rain
Sometimes it's better just to be alone
So many ghosts with so much pain
You can never understand what you've never really known

Best Laid Plans (A Butterfly Wing)

Chorus

How does it happen, how do things begin
We might have never met, never danced that minuet
Around what was and what might've been

A word, a glance, a look, a chance
A road not taken one day
A door left open, a word not spoken
Might change everything in every way

Repeat Chorus

A second, a minute, your future's here, you're in it
And it's nothing like you thought it would be
The best laid plans of mice and men
Change like the whims of the wind on the sea

Repeat Chorus

It all comes and goes, the sun, the rain, the rainbows
The world on a broken string
The best laid plans of mice and men
All at the mercy of a butterfly wing

Repeat Chorus – 2X

Between A Whisper And A Sigh

Time to go, wave goodbye
Hide the tear, that's in my eye
One more road, one more turn
Letting go, one more lesson learned

The innocent hand slowly, slipping away
Moving in time to a, brand new day
The old song's playing but it doesn't, sound the same
I can hardly hear the notes, they're fading away

Chorus

It's the same old story but it feels so new
Your future is here now, it's coming true
It takes you away as it passes me by
Leaves me here somewhere between a whisper and a sigh

Was it ever real or some sweet memory
When I close my eyes, I know just what I'm going to see
A laughing child skipping down the lane
A moment of forever, I'll never know again

Repeat Chorus

...leaves me here somewhere between a kiss and goodbye
...leaves me here

Between Right And Wrong (So Much Mystery)

Chorus

There's so much mystery that's gone under that bridge
Between the right and the wrong, the shades of gray where the forgiven learn to forgive
Where the broken find mercy and grace and a reason to believe all over again
There's so much mystery that's gone under that bridge

You and me, all alone
Travelling down that long, dark road
Through the tunnel of love, somewhere between
Want and need and the great mystery
Following that path into the great unknown
Just you and me all alone
Finding our way back home

Repeat Chorus

A smile, a touch, a dream
The first time, the last time, all the places in between
The never was and the nevermore, the never again and what has always been
That great mystery
A smile, a touch, a dream

Repeat Chorus

Between These Lines

The kids are laughing but the joke is on them
Cause time takes no prisoners and guilt waits at the end
To compare an old man's reality to the cheap talk of youth
And balance the ledger between, the lies and the truth

The things we do for money are unbelievable to me
There's nothing new, just the latest, video pop, mercenary
They're lining up for a lifetime just to sell their souls
To the icon industry, the cult of control

Chorus

Are there any wisemen left on this planet any more
Between the bombs and the crack and the promos for
The little power trip wars
Has Solomon gone into hiding, is he tired of being ignored
Replaced by the package parade of the young,
And oh so perfect, media whores

The things we do for lust are unbelievable to me
There's nothing new, just the latest sexual sell, on TV
They're lining up for a lifetime just to sell their souls
To the pleasure principal, some fantasy role

Deception, lies and video scenes
Try to tell us who we are, what our lives mean
From the gullibility of youth to the cynicism of age
They'll never get between these lines, hidden on my page

Repeat Chorus

Between You And I

I want to go, you want to stay
I want to work, you want to play
I can't wait for the night and you say let's call it a day

Sometimes your half right, sometimes you're half wrong
Sometimes I agree with you just to get along
Sometimes it feels like we're both dancing to a different song

Chorus

Yeah when you're telling the truth someone else might think you're telling a lie
That's 'cause the world looks different through a different pair of eyes
This'll only work if we let God get between you and I

Well I say it's old, you say it's new
I say I don't know where to begin you say there's nothing to do
Well maybe it's a little bit me and a little bit you

Repeat Chorus

...This'll only work if we let God get between you and I
...This'll only work if we let God get between you and I

Birthday Song

Your birthday makes you feel a little strange
One more trip around the sun
So much has changed, so much the same
So much to do so much that can't be undone

Your birthday makes you feel a little sad
Another year older, another year gone
It wasn't great, but it wasn't so bad
How many more years, how many more birthday songs

Chorus

This is your day, you wear your best smile
For the jokes 'bout getting older and all the miles and miles and miles
The birthday candles they burn for you
You make a wish that at least some of last year's prayers might come true

Your birthday makes you grateful for the blessings you've known
The good that followed the bad, the bittersweet years
You learn to let go of what you'll never know, what you'll never see, do or own
...so much water under the bridge but you're still here

There'll be a party for you tonight
The people you love will be there
The laughter will echo in the fading light
A toast to tomorrow and the years that you've all shared

Repeat Chorus

Blink

Appointments, demands, schedules and reprimands
There's never time to sing your song
Turn around, you'll find tomorrow
Turn around again, you'll find, tomorrow's gone

Pilgrim, poet, beggarman or thief
How'd they ever wind up here
Once they had a future, but it didn't last
Where do dreams go, when they disappear

Chorus 1

Blink, and it's over – Blink and it's gone
Today – Yesterday's tomorrow
It's here, but not for long

You can run on money, you can run on greed
Trade your faith for fear, of being alone
The poor can bless you, the rich will test you
It's what you give away, it's not what you own

Chorus 2

Blink, and it's over – Blink, and it's gone
The past, just a memory
The future, an unsung song

So many faces, so many places, disappearing traces,
of home
Turn around, you'll find tomorrow
Turn around again, you'll find, tomorrow's gone
...Blink, and it's over

Bobblehead Boogie

Sitting around at the Country club
Everyone's nodding, something's got to be done
A billion in the bank ain't enough in the hand
Gotta get tough, gotta make a stand

Chorus

Re-size, downsize get on the bus
Fire anyone, just don't fire us
Yes men, Yes men making big plans
Yes men, Yes men clapping their hands
Yes men, Yes men, minding the store
Doing the Bobblehead Boogie on the corporate dance floor

Stock option package and there's plenty more
If you can make it work with another 100 out the door
It's just business, it's push and pull
Yes sir, yes sir, three bags full

Repeat Chorus

Nodding along to the Yes man song
Feeling pretty good, like nothing is wrong
Around the corner comes another unemployed bum
"What's wrong with those people", something's gotta be done

Repeat Chorus

Broken Windows, Broken Doors

An old house on a hill, broken windows, broken doors
Once someone's home, no one lives there anymore
The stories those walls could tell, some young couple and the promise the future held
Broken windows, broken doors, no one lives there anymore

Down the road an old factory town, the place was home till the mill shut down
Now the streets are empty and the stores are closed, the jobs are gone somewhere, nobody knows
The stories those streets could tell, from the out of time town clock to the cracked church bell
Broken windows, broken doors, no one lives there anymore

Once the world was young, under a golden sun, the future was a promise that had just begun
Before temptation wouldn't leave us alone, before East Of Eden became our home
The stories that young, golden sun could tell, rainbow rides and a wishing well
Broken windows, broken doors, no one lives there anymore
... Broken windows, broken doors, no one lives there anymore
...No one lives there anymore
...I don't live there anymore

Careless

He walks down the street in the evening
One more soul in a twilight memory town
He smiles and he waves, tries to look like he's OK
He holds his head high but he knows he's losing ground, so he...

Tries to remember what he wants to remember
Believe what he has to believe 'til he believes it's true
But the ghosts know where you are, you can run but you won't get far
They'll find you in the places where the light can't break through

Chorus

A careless boy, a careless girl, a careless love in a careless world
A careless beauty, a careless grace, an innocent heart in a careless place
A careless thought, a careless mistake, a careless word, too little too late
A careless time, a reckless regret, he can't let go of what he tries to forget

The promise of spring haunts him in the winter
All the promises made that never came true
A smile, a wave and all the love that slipped away
It finds him in the places where the light can't break through

Repeat Chorus – 2X

(2nd time – *that* careless boy, *that* careless girl...)

Carousel of love

I got lost, in no man's land, somewhere between pride and fear
I lived there, 'til I found you, that's how we both wound up here

It's funny you know, the way things go, you can never tell what's up ahead
We get pushed and burned, but we keep what we've learned, for the times when nothing
needs to be said

Well c'mon babe, let's get out of this town, we've got more than enough
I've got you, you've got me, all the rest is just so cliché

Chorus

Oooh...we're riding on the carousel of love
Oooh...round and round we go
Oooh....sometimes we're hawks, sometimes we're doves
Oooh...time might have stopped, we wouldn't know

The good and bad, the happy and the sad, the house, the car and the VCR
From tired eyes, to wise lies, don't forget who and whose you are

We spin round and round, we don't make a sound, drifting in and out with the tide
But it's all alright, when you realize, that the ones you love are the reasons you ride

Repeat Chorus

...time might have stopped, but we wouldn't know

Catholic Boy

My father worked hard bringing home his pay
My mother watched over her children and every night they'd both pray
In gratitude and supplication, for intercession, for those in need
Fingering their beads, reciting the mysteries of the rosary

The sprinkling of the holy water, the sign of the cross
The last rites on a dark night, the acceptance of loss
The lives of the saints, the forgiveness of sins
Confession, communion, a state of grace, a place for the broken to begin again

Chorus

The joyful, the sorrowful, the glorious mysteries
The candles, the incense, the statues, the rosary
A Catholic boy in a mystical world that transcends this life of want and need
In the times of darkness and loneliness, there was something transcendent to believe

Madonna and child, the martyrs, the saints
All the holy pictures in that Catholic home, an invocation of faith
Now that Catholic boy, he's drifted so far, from that home into a world that's cold and hard
But he still carries that green scapular that his mother would pin over his heart
...And he still holds onto those mysteries when he can't break free of a broken memory,
time's wounds and all those wrong turn scars

Repeat Chorus

Changing Direction

Holding babies, in the middle of the night
Try to please everybody, but nothing turns out right
She has no idea, where all of this might lead
But she just smiles, and learns from all she sees

Well, angels come, in different ways
She holds the baby, she kneels and she prays
Lord make him strong, make him true, make him wise
And send him someone, who'll hear his cry

Chorus

Changing direction, in the middle of the road
Can be dangerous, that's what i've been told
I've crossed so many bridges, and i've burned some too
Trying to find someone, someone just like you

She never came home, he stands by the door
He turns out the lights, he doesn't wnat anymore
He thinks, this is the last time, she knew what was right
But he doesn't sleep anyway, what a useless night

He walks to the corner, he looks around
Everything takes so long, when you're waiting to be found
He whispers a prayer, make me strong, true and wise
And send me someone, who'll hear my cry

Repeat Chorus

Chasing A Dream

You can wait for the perfect moment
The perfect time the perfect day
Life it spins, while you're preparing to begin
And the time just slips away

It's not the trying that'll kill you
Or the stumbles, the trips or the falls
You follow that road 'cause deep inside you know
What'll kill you is the not trying at all

Chorus

So you take a chance, you get back up and dance
You don't know all the steps but you try
You get it wrong 'til you get it right, you burn with the light
'cause when you're chasing a dream you're alive

You can wait in the wings
You can hide in the dark
Maybe yesterday's sorrow made you afraid of tomorrow
But fear will never heal a broken heart

Repeat Chorus-2X

...you get it wrong 'til you get it right

Chasing Fireflies

A couple of kids chasing fireflies in the dark
Warm summer night, summer light, summer hearts
Together forever, never apart
A couple of kids chasing fireflies in the dark

If you don't choose, the world will choose for you
Who you become, what you see, what you do
What you want to believe, what you want to be true
If you don't choose the world will choose for you, now we're...

Chorus

Different people, with different lives, in different times
Flying hard, flying high, flying blind
We got different reasons, different hearts, different minds
But we both carry something we left behind...

I saw you on the street, I almost passed you by
You looked like someone else, but I saw you there in your eyes
A kid in the dark, chasing fireflies
But the moment passed, now there's nothing but goodbye, cause we're

Repeat Chorus

...yeah we both carry someone, we left behind...

Children Having Children

A baby is born, a brand new world is discovered
By a boy and a girl who become a father and a mother
Time's timeless wheel, goes round and round again
Children having children, the circle never ends

Nighttime sighs, nighttime cries
Nighttime vigils, tired nervous eyes
The fever breaks, the morning sun shines
Children having children, the circle goes round one more time

Chorus

Children having children, babies in their arms
Not so long ago they were the ones held and loved and kept from harm
Time waits for no one, the future never ends
Children having children, the circle goes round and round again
...and again ...and again ...and again

The smiles and the tears, the joy and the fears
They come and they go like the days that soon become years
A baby is born, their future's in their hands
Children having children, the circle never ends

Children In The Park

Watching the children play on a perfect sunny day, a Sunday afternoon
For a moment so far away, from the world and that's OK, a break from the doom
and gloom news

The numbers spin, who's out and who's in
The narrative sanctioned and approved
Where an open mind is fine as long as it's the right kind
And the wrong kind are labeled and removed

Children in the park with their innocent hearts, help me forget what I don't want to
know

They play on the swing and they start to sing, some old nursery rhyme from so
long ago
Before everything got so upside down
Just history repeating, nothing new
“A lie can travel halfway around the world while the truth
is still putting on its shoes”
...Mark Twain

Up the ladder, down the slide, the merry go round ride, one more time let's go
Running and playing, the future is waiting, to teach you what it wants you to know
Be careful what you do and what you see
What you're told isn't real and what you're told to believe
By the gas lighting propaganda machines
Keep your heart and mind open and free

...Children in the park with their innocent hearts, help me forget what I don't want
to know

Up the ladder, down the slide, the merry go round ride, one more time let's go

Choosing Sides

I can't control my soul
It travels around when I'm asleep
It finds the things I thought I'd left behind
The things I lost, I couldn't keep

You trade what you know for what you want to remember
Like the warmth of her hand on a snowy day
I left you in December
Didn't want to go but I couldn't stay

Chorus 1

Choosing sides will make you crazy,
Black and White bleed into gray
The reasons get lost, the truth gets lazy
Stuck in the middle with nothing to say – INST -

Face the music, face the beast
There's no going back, no stepping aside
The prophet, the poet, the pilgrim, the priest
All do their time, no one gets a free ride

Repeat Chorus 1

Chorus 2

Choosing sides will make you crazy
Flip a coin, leave it to chance
The reasons get lost, the truth gets lazy
A promise broken by circumstance
...the treaty fell apart when he watched her dance

Christmas Bells

Christmas bells ring cross the land
Calling out to the broken man
Ringing for love in this world of need
A Christmas morning symphony

Bells are ringing in the dawn
For the weary heart trying to be strong
Ringing for hope, breaking through
The lonely darkness to a world brand new

The bells ring out on Christmas day
For the lost, the found, the sinners, the saints
With a message of mercy for the troubled soul
It's time to let go, time to come home

Bells are ringing for the years
The times long gone, the time that's here
With a message of peace for a world gone wrong
A Christmas prayer, a Christmas song

Christmas Gold

I woke up on Christmas morn, everything had turned out alright
The merchants had all had their day, now the money was out of sight
I heard the children playing with the toys that they had found
Old St. Nick had come through again, now I guess his sleigh was north pole bound

Snow was falling everywhere and the Christmas bells did ring
Took me back through all the years and the carols we would sing
Echoes bouncing over time, held together by an infant birth
Who brings a promise of faith and love, hope for a mixed up world

Chorus

Is there something you need to know, Something I can do
Is there something you need to hear, Maybe a word or two
Is there something you have lost, I could help you find
Is there someone you have loved, someone you've left behind

The way in is out, the way up is down
The humble will be exalted, the lost will be found
The rich, the poor, the paupers and kings, bow down before this child
And Christmas gold means nothing at all, without this infant's smile

Repeat Chorus

...faith, hope and love, the message of Christmas time

Christmases With You

Here's a Christmas tune for you, a Christmas memory, a Christmas song
There's so many we've known together, so many Christmases now come and gone
All the Christmas seasons, the Christmas Eves, the Christmas Days
The Christmas joy mixed with a sadness for ones long gone for whom a Christmas
prayer, is prayed

Christmas with family, Christmas with friends, Christmas far away, Christmas at
home
Christmas with kids on Christmas Eve, watching for Santa while walking through
the Christmas snow
All those Christmas dinners, prepared with love and care
The Christmas cards, the Christmas gifts, the Christmas prayers
All the Christmas carols, we sang in and out of tune
Silent Night, Holy Night, thank you for all the Christmas's I've known with you

The tree looks so pretty, the lights all aglow
Like the trees of Christmas past, so long ago
Except for the one that I got, it was the last one on the lot
The kids they laughed but it's the one we remember
A new born child just brought home that December
An answered prayer, a blessing true, wrapped in Christmas gratitude
Thank you again for all Christmases I've known with you

Climbing This Mountain

I've been riding this road, sailing this sea
Trying to make some sense of where I've been and what I've seen
I keep losing the reasons, searching for the whys
While I'm riding these waves of forever goodbyes

Chorus

I've been climbing this mountain, it keeps getting higher
I don't know the way I just follow that burning light fire
I've been climbing this mountain, I'm almost there
It won't be long now, just a few more prayers

The music fades, into the never again
The story's over but it never ends
A moment in time, a shooting star
So many so long gone but they're never gone far

Repeat Chorus

... It won't be long now, I'm almost there
... It won't be long now, just a few more prayers

Cold War With You

Dominoes are falling in this house of cards
No one gives an inch, no one takes a yard
Gotta be careful, gotta keep my guard
In this cold war with you

Behind your iron curtain is your icy stare
I know those eyes I used to find my refuge there
Before the talks broke down and war was declared
Yeah, this cold war with you

Chorus – There's no negotiation, no more communication
No arbitration, no accommodation, just acceleration of agitation
One wrong move and there'll be massive retaliation
In this cold, cold war, with you

Bridge - We've built our own Berlin, where nobody wins
And the wall is under construction
Words are a minefield and nobody yields under the threat of
Mutually assured destruction ...In this cold war with you

Silence keeps the peace in these no man's land rooms
Ghosts of bitter battles watch over love's ruins
It's a stalemate, nothing moves
In this cold war with you

Balance of terror, show of force
Détente is done, it's run its course
Nobody blinks, nobody shows remorse
In this cold war with you

Repeat Chorus

...in this cold, cold war with you
...in this cold, cold war with you

Colours

Standing in the doorway, waiting for an answer
You would believe, anything I said
The good times are so fleeting, innocence deceiving
You had no idea, what lay ahead

Well they left for the bright lights, the glamour of the night lights
The music was loud, and they danced all night long
Innocent but tragic, trying to hold on to the magic
Illusion kept the beat, but time sang the song

Chorus

The light fell in colours everywhere,
You couldn't see the shadows but they were there
The lake looked so calm, in the early morning dawn
But no one gets across without the fare

The music was fading but the band kept on playing
What once worked so well, is so hard to let go
Standing in the doorway, you're still waiting for an answer
I used to have so many, where they've gone I don't know

Repeat Chorus 1

Chorus 2

The clock marks the minutes on the wall
The present colours what the past recalls
The future stands alone, waiting to be known
While time plays a song for us all

Come Sunday Morning

Come Sunday morning the choir sings its song
'Bout peace and 'bout love, 'bout right and 'bout wrong
Come Sunday morning, yeah I'll sing along
The flesh might be weak but the spirit here is strong

Chorus 1

Come Sunday morning, that devil's going down
The holy fire burns with a sacred sound
Come Sunday morning, the lost will be found
The saints and the sinners, they'll all be homeward bound

The passing pilgrim, the poet and the priest
The first and the last join with the strong and weak
The king, the subjects, the rich and the poor
Come out of the storm and into God's shore

Repeat Chorus 1

So many paths, but narrow is the way
Temptation's everywhere, the good they fall and stray
But the door's always open and the bell it will toll
When the prodigal son finally finds his way home

Repeat Chorus 1

Chorus 2

Come Sunday morning the choir sings its song
'Bout peace and 'bout love, 'bout right and 'bout wrong
Come Sunday morning, well I'll sing along
The flesh might be weak but the spirit here is strong

Coming Home To You

Riding on this train again, nothing left to lose
Riding on this train again, coming home to you
The days were fine, I drank the wine, Now the good time bill is due
Riding on this train again, coming home to you

Thought I was, doin OK, Saw what I wanted to see
Thought I was doing OK, till my shadow started laughing at me
In a land where, the con is king, how right can wrong be
Thought I was doing OK, till my shadow started laughing at me

Bridge - The days we have are so few
Everything's changed, nothing new
But I always come back to you

The heart has its reasons, that reason cannot know
We carry what we left behind, wherever we go
Age in my eyes, scars on my soul
We carry what we left behind, wherever we go

With age in my eyes, and these scars on my soul
Riding on this train again, am I still someone you know
... Riding on this train again, am I still someone you know

Coming Home

What you've done and what you do and the,
Love you give it all comes back at you
Alone together, or here alone through all this
Unfinished business on the only way you know back home

I saw you walking, on the avenue
I saw you breaking free from all the darkness you'd been through
Lost in the shadows, a broken mind, another time
Forgotten, forgiven, forever left behind

Chorus

Ooh, letting go, moving on
Ooh, right for wrong, feeling strong
Ooh, a brand new day, a brand new song
Ooh, coming home
Ooh, coming home

The years they pass without a sound, don't dare look back don't turn-around
You can't undo what you left undone, but each day you wake up to, a brand new sun
And you turn you're face up to that sky, and you say thank God I'm still alive
And you count your blessings and you say your prayers, and you feel the love that's always been there

Repeat Chorus – 2X

Common Ground

Driving around, both sides of town
Searching for, some common ground
Where the silence meets the sound of what's lost being found
All together on the common ground
Driving around, both sides of town

Everybody shouting, making their demands
Burning bridges, with self-righteous hands
Shifting winds, shifting sands
Just trying to understand what I don't understand
Everybody shouting, making their demands

Chorus

In the middle of the road, in the middle of the night
In the middle of what's left of what seemed to be right
So many sides under a shared sky, circling the sun on this earthly ride
Searching for some common ground in the middle of the great divide

Trying to make some sense of what's been happening here
Trying to find the common ground before it all disappears
The common dreams, the common fears
The common joys, the common tears
Trying to find the common ground before it all disappears

Repeat Chorus

...searching for some common ground...searching for some common ground
...got to find some kind of common ground in the middle of this great divide

Complicated

Chorus

Everything gets so complicated
Everything gets so real
With every new turn of that wheel
And time doesn't always heal
It just gets faded and a little bit jaded
And the simple becomes complicated

Like the first time I saw you
I'd never guess, I didn't know yeah I never knew
All the things we'd do together and put each other through
You were the girl next door, kind of cute, nothing more
The first time I saw you

Repeat Chorus

Everything's gonna change
You don't know it til you know that somehow something's not the same
And what's simple gets so complicated and a little strange
Till it all gets simple again

Like the first time I saw you
It's complicated but it's simple too
You were the girl next door, kind of cute, nothing more
The first time I saw you
The first time I saw you

Repeat Chorus

...like the first time I saw you

The Conformity Song

I saw you singing, in a lonely room
Your face looked different
Didn't think you'd change this soon
I saw you crying, out by the car
You quit trying
Maybe I pushed you too far
Sometimes I laugh, at these things I do
These sycophantic games
Don't leave much that's true

Chorus

Listen to the sound of the whispering child
Telling you to get off this road
A wasted life is just one breath away
From all the lies you ever told
If I wanted, I could have had you
Right in the palm of my hand
But I took the easy way
With all the losers who follow commands

Conformity is the name of this game,
With some cocktail banter thrown in
He who gets the best price for his soul
He is the one who wins

This 1990's tale is sad I know, but it must be told
Say hello to the stranger that was your mind
As you mutate into the current mould
Yeah, mutate into the current mould
Yeah, mutate into what's vogue

Repeat Chorus

Coureur de Bois To Coureur d'Étoiles

Big boat going down the St. Lawrence
Out to that eastern sea
From deep inland to the Atlantic shore
So many miles of history

Trans Canada train passing again
Iron rail rhythm, all aboard
North to South, east to west
So many miles, so many more

Chorus

The water, the rail, the wide open sky
Those trucks gearing down
That train whistle cry, that jet flying high
That big ship warning sound
Through this country's wilderness, through the heat and the snow
Burning asphalt to ice covered roads
From coureur de bois to coureur d'étoiles
There's still so many miles to go

Passing plane through the Western sky
Over the mountains and trees
500 miles an hour above the clouds
3,000 miles sea to sea

Big truck on the Trans Canada
Hear that diesel roar
Smoke from the stack, don't look back
So many miles, so many more

Repeat Chorus

Cricket Song

Warm summer night, the future was ours
Lying in the grass, watching the stars
The moon shone its light over the town
Close your eyes you can hear those night time sounds
The cicada, the crickets, the whippoorwill
Sang their summer songs, on nights so still
I closed my eyes prayed my soul to keep
While those warm summer sounds, sang me to sleep

That cold winter wind was so far away
At the end of a perfect summer day
Right here, right now, everything is alright
Summer sounds on a warm summer night
I know them well, I know them all
The sound of summer love I know its call
The sound of the breeze in the trees
Those summer songs sang me to sleep

Chorus

Fireflies in a jar, baseball in the park
The water so warm swimming late at night
Ice cream on the patio, there's no place I want to go
Those summer sounds will sing me to sleep tonight

Summer still comes round but those days are gone
All the faces and places, those summer songs
Days are warm but the cold wind it's gonna blow
I'm out of time in a world that's grown so old
The cicada, the crickets and the whippoorwill
Still sing their songs, guess they always will
I close my eyes pray my soul to keep
While those warm summer sounds, sing me to sleep

Repeat Chorus

Crossroads

That sweet pleasure palace, the devil says it's free
The de-ceiving temptor, he says he holds the key
Satan, Be-elzebub, Lucifer, whatever the name
He waits for me down at those crossroads every single day

The deal looks so sweet but there's always something wrong
I get what I think I want but my soul is gone
The gate is small, narrow is the way
And he waits for me down at those crossroads every single day

Chorus

Says I can trade what I am, for what I want to be
What I know is true for what I want to see
White and black, get wrapped, in shades, of gray
And he waits for me down at those crossroads every single day

Sometimes it's the great temptation but he mostly chips away
At my heart, at my soul, at all the reasons that I pray
He shifts his shape but the offer stays the same
And he waits for me down at those crossroads every single day

Repeat Chorus

...yeah he waits for me down at those crossroads every single day

Current Fashion, Current Fad

You get the spotlight baby
It lights the path of your indecision

Current fashion, current fad, it's kind of fun but it's kind of sad...

Daily Dose Of Nightly News

All the stories that fit, the sound bytes and the bits
The narrative, sanctioned and approved
Who to bless and who to blame, who to reward and who to shame
Find the answer in your daily dose of the nightly news

Chorus

But pay no attention to the man behind the curtain
His algorithms, his AI puppet string codes
Don't look too close at what you see and hear, your daily dose of entertainment,
outrage and fear
The everyday display of the emperor's new clothes

The veiled threat, the reprimand, the latest update on the latest plan
Your daily dose of what to think about what you've been shown
Close the door, shut out the lights, turn on the TV, say goodnight
Fall asleep under the watchful eye of that media glow

Repeat Chorus

Second Chorus

Yeah, pay no attention to the man behind the curtain
His algorithms, his AI puppet string codes
Don't look too close at what you see and hear, your daily dose of entertainment,
outrage and fear
If you don't want to see, what you don't want to know
...if you don't want to believe what you already know

Dancing At The Copa

Down at the copa they live out some dream
Not sure why but they're making the scene
Down at the copa they dance all night
Not sure why but it still don't feel right

The right clothes and hair where who you are is what you wear
The right time and place, the latest nouveau vogue escape
Right here, right on, the right words, the right song
Everything is right but something feels wrong

Chorus

And it's oh boy, won't you light my cigarette
I'm so tired, but it's not over yet
Well it's so cruel, how quickly they forget
All the good time girls, who danced till there was nothing left

Searching for connection, some kind of neon light love
Heartbeat, drumbeat, repeat 'til the night is done
Searching for a signal a sign, a closing time reason to believe
Dancing at the copa but just about ready to leave

Repeat Chorus

Darkness And Light

Chorus

The tide is going to turn, and the shore fires will burn and the ship will come in
And the sun, set in morning blue, will make everything new all over again

Rivers of hope and love, tears and dreams, fire and blood
All flow into and through that ocean of time
The days they slip away, night falls and the daylight fades
But it's the darkness that lets you see the starlight shine

Repeat Chorus

The wind's so wild and cold but it knows and speaks to our souls
Of every place we've seen and been in our dreams and our prayers
We walked both sides of the great divide, over the bridge of sighs
Till the darkness showed us the light that was always there

Repeat Chorus

...And the day will bring, another chance to find, a kind of peace, with what was
left behind

...And the darkness will bring, the stars in the sky, that burn so bright like the light
that still shines in your eyes

Digital Rain

Close your mind and open your eyes
To the digital sirens and the lullabies
That'll shake you up just before they put you to sleep

The never-ending wars for gasoline
The scripted realities
The paid pundits explaining what it all means

Locked rooms, closed doors
Digital dances with digital forms
As real as you want the world to be

White noise, black art
A tower of babel in the digital dark
Nothing is real 'til it makes it to your video screen

Chorus

Media morphine, digital days
Bits and bytes on a runaway train
Pandora's box, nothing left but busted locks
Rusting out in the driving digital rain

Algorithms
21st century digital wisdom
Your truth custom tailored just for you

Receive what you want to believe
What you want to be sold, how you want to be seen
At one with your digital solitude

Repeat Chorus

Do It All Again

Another rainy day, it's windy and it's cold
But she's feeling OK, she knows this old road
It twists and it bends and the turns they feel all wrong
But those twists and bends'll take her to where the dark meets the dawn

A laughing child, an old man's smile, a wink, a touch, a nod ...sometimes
Everywhere she looks, she sees the hand of God
One day she's down, the next she's up, it's not that far between
The wrong end of the rainbow, and the right side of her dreams

Chorus

The takers will take and the mockers will mock
Her heart will grow weary while the gossips they talk
The con men will con and the poseurs pretend
And that cold wind will blow like it's never going to end
But she turns her collar high, turns her face to the sky
Turns to look the darkness in the eye and then
She'll turn around and do it all again

Something old, something new, borrowed and blue
All the yesterdays that still follow you
It's hard to forgive, when you can't forget
And it's hard to let go of all that's not gone yet, like a...

A laughing child, an old man's smile, a wink, a touch, a nod ...sometimes
Everywhere she looks, she sees the hand of God
One day she's down, the next she's up, it's not that far between
The wrong end of the rainbow, and the right side of her dreams

Repeat Chorus

...Yeah she turns her collar high, turns her face to the sky
Turns to look the darkness in the eye and then
She'll turn around and do it all again

Don't Be Too Hard On The Kid

Don't be too hard on that kid you used to be
The one who lives in your what could've been memory
Don't be too hard on what he said, what he did
Made a few mistakes yeah well everybody did
...don't be too hard on the kid

Don't burn those bridges on that road from where that kid is from
You might want to make some kind of peace with who you were, who you've become
The right, the wrong, the slippery slope where he sometimes slid
He took some wrong turns yeah well everybody did
...don't be too hard on the kid

Chorus

And all the ways the what is, and the what never was, are coloured by the what could've been
And all the ways the whys, and the sad goodbyes, are coloured by a shadowed memory
And all the ways the days, that slipped away, are coloured by all the in-between
And all the ways times' sands make the child the father to the man, still colouring everything
Don't be too hard on the kid
Don't be too hard on the kid

One more day, one more time, nothing gets left behind
You dig deep enough you already know what you'll find
All the should'ves, all the whys, all the truth behind the eyes
Too close to the sun, burning wings, world weary sighs
...don't be too hard on the kid, at least he tried
...don't be too hard on the kid

Repeat Chorus

...don't be too hard on the kid you used to be
...don't be too hard on the kid

Don't Think, Just Drive

Waiting for the dark to fall, the daylight's final curtain call
Follow the headlights, racing, across the wall
Don't think, just drive, don't even try to make some sense of it all

Waiting for, one more goodbye, one more time we'll both try
To hold on to time like it's, on our side
Don't think just drive, what we've been and seen will never leave our eyes

Waiting for the long ago to show, to ride through it all on a rose coloured rainbow
A late night ride under a, night light glow
Don't think, just drive, the future's gonna take us where it's gonna go

Waiting for one more last time, on this road that twists and winds
The headlights shine on that, thin white line
Don't think, just drive 'til we find some kind of peace with what we left
behind

... don't think, just drive 'til we find some kind of peace with what we left
behind
... don't think, just drive 'til we find some kind of peace

Don't Worry About Me

Don't worry about me
I've got my father's faith and my mother's rosary
I'm OK, what will be will be
Don't worry about me

Don't worry I'll be there
I've got my father's promise and my mother's prayer
A change is coming I can feel it in the air
Don't worry, I'll be there

Chorus

Heard the siren song, felt the siren's call
It all sounded so beautiful just before the fall
As a season of plenty became a season of greed
And a forbidden pleasure, a never ending need
And an easy promise became an easy lie
And too much too soon, a hard goodbye
Left me aching for the beauty of an innocent dawn
Trying to see through sleepless eyes, as the night went on and on

Don't worry what's done is done
I've got my father's protection and my mother's love
I've done my time as the prodigal son
Don't worry, what's done is done

Repeat Chorus

Last lines of 2nd chorus -
Trying to see through sleepless eyes, as the darkness went on and on
But don't worry about me
Don't worry about me
Don't worry about me

Don't You Miss Me Darling

Don't you miss me darling, don't you even wonder where I've gone
Don't you miss me darling, don't you even wonder what went wrong

Holy madness and crazy wisdom
Is that what we were riding on
A clever mistake with no rhyme or reason
When a fire burns bright it doesn't last long

Don't you even miss me darling, I didn't want to leave but I had to go
Don't you even miss me darling, I shouldn't care but I have to know

Distance is a dangerous thing
It can make you see what you already know
And if you wait too long to long to find me
The lost may never want to come home

Don't you even miss me darling, this road is so lonely and dark
Don't you even miss me darling, too long alone makes a cold, cold heart

Dreaming As One

From here to that wide open sky, there's nothing in between
From here to everyplace I've been, everything that I've seen
Sometimes my mind lets me fly so high when I close my eyes I'm set free
And I see you and me dreaming as one in my dream

Standing on the shore time's waves, they never end
They wash over me 'til there's nothing between now and then
I ride them from here to the other side of everywhere I've been
And in my dreams you and I we're dreaming as one, again

Chorus

The winter, the spring, the summer and the fall
This time I'll hold you close through everything, through it all
On a wide open road, under a wide open sky
We'll dream as one 'til the morning sun wipes the stardust ...from our eyes

The sunlight lights the day, the moonlight lights the night
The shadows fall somewhere between, the dark and the light
The day grows dim, but the evening bells chime their hymn and tonight the future
is bright
Cause in my dreams we'll be dreaming as one and this time we'll get it right

Repeat Chorus

Drifting Around

Drifting around, come what may, we're in the Garden Of Eden, but we fall everyday
If only, are two scary words, what might have been, it all went by in a blur

Drifting around, seeing it through, everything is changing, but nothing is new
Drifting around, lost memories
I'm through with the past but the past isn't through with me

Bridge

The suffering Madonna watches the child spoil his innocence
While the shadows lie in wait with fate and consequence
Who will you call for, when the illusion fails
Will you finally learn humility when they hold you down and drive in those nails
Who will you touch there, what will you see
Will you choke on your arrogant words when you feel how real the world can be

Drifting around, until we learn, what it feels like to stumble, what it feels like to burn
Drifting around 'til it's time to come home, but drifting with you is better than drifting alone

Drifting Away

Chorus

Hey, hey, hey, drifting away
On and on, going, going, gone
Whoa, whoa, whoa, almost everything you've ever known You've left behind on
that broken road
Hey, hey, hey, drifting away

A young love, an old dog, a million moments that time forgot
A friend from another time, his notice in the paper all that's left behind
Chasing the wind, running free, 'til you had to let go of what you'd never be
First time, last chance, first kiss, last dance

Repeat Chorus

You don't remember what you used to know but you live with what you knew a
long time ago
Family and friends and loved ones gone, feeling more and more like you don't
belong
In a cyberspace world, held in a digital hand, feeling like a stranger in a virtual land
The older you get, the lonelier you feel, how did the years get so real

Repeat Chorus

... Hey, hey, hey, drifting away

Easter Son

Winter's over, the sun is breaking through
On today and tomorrow, making everything new
The wind is getting warmer, rain is feeding the ground
Spring's promise is ringing with Easter morning sounds

A sunrise service, Easter eggs
Easter bells and lilies, an Easter parade
First Sunday of springtime, after the last full moon
Rising over broken chains and an empty tomb

Chorus

The Easter Son is rising
A new day, a new dawn
The holy light is shining
Over a world gone wrong
The Easter Son is rising
The stone's been rolled away
The holy light is shining
A new dawn, a new day

Out of the ashes of Ash Wednesday, comes Easter Sunday/of sorrow, comes a new
Easter morn
Out of the falling darkness, the rising Son
A new beginning, a new tomorrow,
The debt has been paid now, it's over, it's done

Repeat Chorus

...the Easter Son is rising

Echoes

The echoes of ones long gone are getting louder, they're getting so strong
Their gentle strength leads me on, takes me home, now it won't be long
That bell it's tolled for the lost and found, for what was and what will never be
It's tolled for so many, soon it will toll for me

Chorus

The machines they do their job, they count the heartbeats, the breath, what's left
They count the minutes, the hours, the days, while the time just keeps slipping
away

Tomorrow the morning birds will sing their morning song
That sun will rise in the eastern sky way up there where it belongs
I've no wings but I'll fly, I've no strength but I'll be strong
And my voice it will echo with the ones already gone

Chorus

The days are short and the nights grow cold, the body's tries but the soul it knows
I've said goodbye, I'm ready to go, now I'm just here waiting for love to take me
home
... I've no wings but I'll fly, I've no strength but I'll be strong
And my voice it will echo with the ones already gone

Electric Guitars

Summer sun, warm sky, the beach is beautiful, so are your eyes
The Beatles are playing, a song called Rain, but the sun is shining, on our Penny Lane
The future's forever, today's a song, Tomorrow Never Knows, Yesterday is gone
A 10 cent coke, a 5 cent bar, the Beatles songs and electric guitars
Ooh...when the rain came, Ooh...when the rain came, Ooh...when the rain came,
We played a new game

Chasing the wind, down a river road, Rainy Day Women, Watching The River Flow
Bob Dylan singing, "how does it feel", Don't Think Twice, nothing is real
Summer's ending, fading away, colours changing, to shades of gray
Who knows how long, who knows how far, Dylan's still singing with his electric guitar
Ooh ...how does it feel, Ooh ...how does it feel, Ooh ...how does it feel,
When it all gets so real

Ooh summertime dream, Ooh summertime stars
Ooh radio songs, Ooh, electric guitars...

Employee 41759

Employee 41759 it's time to go
These 30 years have flown and the company wants you to know
They appreciate the loyalty you've shown
Employee 41759 it's time to go

Once a 20 something kid with a million dreams that you kept hid
You stayed in line, displayed the right kind of mind, what you were told is what
you did
Employee 41759, it's time to go
It's time, 41759

Chorus

A nice little dinner, a nice little watch
A nice little speech from some kid who somehow became your boss
Now we'd like you to sign on this termination line
Employee 41759, if you'd be so kind

A picture's worth a thousand words, a first year photo shows
A smiling face, bright young eyes with a future still unknown
30 years in the blink of an eye a million dreams postponed
Employee 41759 it's time to go

Repeat Chorus

...41759, it's time

Empty Eyes

Empty eyes, can hear the cries, of lonely hearts and alibis
And something said by someone, in a dream
Empty sighs, from nightly highs, and heroes made with liquor lies
Oh the boy's just too tired to play the fool

Trying hard to understand why, forgotten roses
Lie, withering on the sand, my heart is in your hand
And I'm trying hard to say, I love you.

My lady flies, she hardly tries, she answers all my whys
Lord knows it makes me feel like heaven

Oh lady the words came drifting through the wine
It's all the same, nothing's new, nothing's changed
But don't look now the boy's about to cry

Empty eyes, can hear the cries, of lonely hearts and alibis
And something said by someone, in a dream
Empty sighs, from nightly highs, and heroes made with liquor lies
Oh the boy's just too tired to play the fool

Trying hard to understand why, forgotten roses
Lie, withering on the sand, my heart is in your hand
And I'm trying hard to say, I love you.

End Of Summer

The moonlight shines on the water
The night falls over the bay
Here with one another as these last days of summer
Are silently, slipping away

The leaves turn to gold
Days grow short, nights grow long
From here to there, you can feel it in the wind and air
This end of the summer song

Chorus

And it sings of sweet surrender
And the promise of what once was so new
Alone together, in this moment of forever
At the end of summer with you

A song of tomorrow and today
A song of a past long gone
After all we've been through, I know you can hear it too
This end of summer song

Repeat Chorus - 2X

Every Day We Ride

Different songs, different drum
Ah, the different worlds that we come from
Still we carry on, and on and on
Try to unsay undo, the unsaid, the undone
Your side, my side
Across this great divide
Everyday we ride

Chorus

From a bad sign,
To a golden time
Out of sight
But never, out of mind
Your side, my side
Across this great divide
Everyday we ride

Negotiation, agitation, hesitation, complication
Accusation, stagnation, appreciation, sensation
Consolation, declaration, explanation, irritation
Provocation, isolation, transformation, vindication
Elation, vexation across this great divide
Everyday we ride

Repeat Chorus

...different songs, different drum
Ah, the different worlds that we come from
Still we carry on, and on and on
Try to unsay undo, the unsaid, the undone
Your side, my side
Across this great divide
Everyday we ride

Every Shade Of Blue

Water and fire, walkin' the wire, the walls between us are so thin
A look a glance, a second chance, we got a glimpse of Eden but we couldn't get in

A different mind in these different times, coloured by every fire we've been
through
Every dream and scheme, every in-between, every rainbow colour every shade of
blue

Chorus

Tearing down the walls, before the darkness falls, even the shadows need some
light
One more chance, one last dance, one more time 'til we get it right

Bridge

Everything we'd be, everything we'd need, the future was a promise and it shone
so bright
Everything we'd see, every word every deed, right and wrong came in black and
white

But the simple songs, they're so long gone, everyday's a different shade of gray
We carry our light, into the night, 'till mercy and grace show us the way

Repeat Chorus

...one more time 'till we get it right

Every Star In The Sky

This old world goes round and round and round
Everything in its time
‘till love sneaks up and wakes you up
The day to day left behind
The ground it shifts, colours play tricks
In a love-lit wonderland
The walls come down, we ride love’s merry-go-round
I reach out for your hand

Chorus

‘Cause you’re every wish that ever came true
You’re every star in the sky
You’re everything I wanted to do
You’re every reason to try

Mystical magic on a moonlit night
Didn’t we ache for the chance
To lose ourselves in the dream we dreamed
Held in a never-ending dance
To feel a kiss that feels so real
Two hearts beating as one
To touch the sky on feet that never touch the ground
An old world made new, we’ve just begun

Repeat Chorus

Everybody Knows

Another rainy day

Everything feels different but everything's the same

The window's half open but the door's half closed

Everybody knows what no one wants to know

That cold wind is going to blow

Everybody knows

We'll be there soon, in just a while

There's just a few more lessons, a few more miles

On this one way road of no return

Of fading light where fires once burned

You try to move on but the heart it yearns and you learn

That you can't let go, you tried but now you know

Chorus

It comes out of nowhere something you did or didn't do

It changes everything, it changes you

The young ones are watching, the old ones are watching too

They've already been there they know what you're going to have to put yourself through

They know

Like pieces of a puzzle spread all around

A piece is missing that just can't be found

Now we're here with what's left of what used to belong

Trying to recall the words to some old song

It used to be so easy, everyone singing along

Ah but everybody knows, those songs, they're gone

Repeat Chorus

Everyone Gets Hurt (But Not Everyone Will Mend)

Hold your kids, hold your wife tight
Say I love you, before you say goodnight
Be a friendly neighbour, a real good friend
Cause everyone gets hurt but not everyone will mend

Take a break from the future, close your eyes
Look through those clouds to that clear blue sky
Hold the ones you love for as long as you can
Cause everyone gets hurt but not everyone will mend

Chorus

It might seem like it's too soon, until it's too late
Sometimes what you know you have to do, can't be explained
For now and forever, for love forgive again
Cause everyone gets hurt but not everyone will mend

Walk in the sunshine before it slips away
Find your way through all those shades of gray
Faraway eyes, nervous, humble, outstretched hands
Everyone gets hurt but not everyone will mend

Repeat Chorus

...everyone gets hurt...

Eyes

Old friends, old songs
We sang them all, all night long
Old ways, old voices so warm
While my eyes searched the room til they found yours

The talk was high, the candles glowed
The warmth was real, while outside it snowed
Old tales told, about old times
While your eyes searched the room til they found mine

The days were young, the night was a promise and the future was in the air
The never ending now and forever more were everywhere
Between the good times and goodbye, the laughter and the sighs and all the reasons
there were to try
Wherever I was I was home if I could find your eyes
Wherever I was I was home if I could find your eyes

One last time, over and over again
Trying to make the forever now, never end
The party's over but the good times they shine on and on
Like those windows to the soul that let us know where we belong
Like those windows to the soul that let us know where we belong

Fading Autumn Days

Leaves are falling on the ground, the seasons they go round and round
Summer's gone, winter's on its way
Between what was right and what was wrong, the time that's left and the time that's gone
We're here in these fading autumn days

No kids on the shore, no summer love, no summer fires anymore
Just a smile, a sigh and a goodbye wave
But that setting, twilight sun still shines on all that's left of all we've done
Here in these fading autumn days

Chorus - Between the whispering devil and a dangerous need,
The guiding angel and the jubilee
Between the stars in the autumn sky and the moonlit bay
Between the summer sun and the winter snow
The trying to hold on and the trying to let go
Of the ones we always knew would slip away
Here in these fading autumn days

The candy floss, the ferris wheel, the school yard games that become real
The now and forever young love romance
The kids that come with the love they bring, and it's love that changes everything
From the first time kiss to the gift of a second chance
The songs, the rhymes, the reason for the dance

I take your hands again, the same hands I've loved since we began
And walk through the light, the dark, the grey
Through the setting twilight sun, through the shadow of all we've known, seen and done
Through what's left of these fading autumn days

Repeat Chorus

...Here in these fading autumn days

Family Man

First thing I remember is a brand new car,
Brand new used Pontiac sittin' in the yard
You're behind the wheel and the radio's on, long time ago, long time gone

Get up every morning, walk out that door,
Do the best you can but the world it always wants more
Getting' by, trying to get along, way too many memories for just one song

Chorus – Holding the line, taking a stand,
You never break but you gotta, know when to bend
Father, husband, working man, It's not easy being a Family Man

What's right is right and what's wrong is wrong
Might have been a long time ago but those lessons will never be gone
Stubborn strong with an iron will, those are pretty big shoes to fill

Repeat Chorus (2X)

...it's not easy being a Family Man
...but I want to thank you for being a Family Man

Farewell

You look to me, for what we might've been, a last word before I go
I've got nothing new, there's just what we've been through, and the rest you
already know
But I'll see you again, where the last becomes first, where the west makes peace
with the east
A diamond day, a cloudless sky, in this kingdom of the least

Falling behind, on this river of time, we try to hold on to what we hold dear
The current's so strong, carries us along, as the days get lost in the years
But I'll see you again, where the walls come down, the old becomes one with the
new
Where I'm OK and you're alright and good times know the hard times are through

Bridge

I'll meet you where the last word hangs, where the earth meets the sky
Deep inside, the dreams you hide, where you feel like you can fly
Where there's no more pride, nothing to hide, the past and the future are one
On the other side, of the great divide, at the dawn of the morning sun

...you look to me, for what we might've been, a last word before I go
I've got nothing new, there's just what we've been through, and the rest you
already know

Fear

I fear for my mother
For my father, my sister and my brother
For the old ones who've been here so long
And the young ones coming on
I fear for the ones yet to be
But I lose that fear when you're with me

I fear for this land
For the misunderstood no one tries to understand
Where the truth blows and twists with the wind
Rewritten til it's written with the right spin
I fear the way's been lost and we can't find the key
But I fight that fear when you're with me

Chorus

I fear for all the good times that'll never come again
And the growing distance between now and then
I fear for my belief in a better world we'll one day see
But I find my faith again when you're with me

I fear for all that seems almost gone
Like the feeling that this time and place aren't where we belong
And the promise of a new day and the hope of a new dawn
And the strength to fight for what's right and make right what's gone wrong
I fear for the future we can't see
But I lose that fear when you're with me

Repeat Chorus

Feel Like I Belong

Winter cold, dark outside
I'd gaze through the window at the snow covered lights
A mother so kind, a father so strong
A child in his home, where I felt like I belonged

Losing my reasons, losing my way
Trying to make sense of the day to day
A nobody stranger, trying to get along
'til you held out your hand and I felt like I belonged

Chorus

The days the years they go round and round
Time's speeding up and I'm slowing down
In this broken world between the right and the wrong
When I'm with you, I feel like I belong

Everything in its place, everything in its time
Darkness and light, shadows and sunshine
When today's just a memory, and tomorrow is gone
As long as I'm with you I know I'll feel like I belong

Repeat Chorus

...when I'm with you

Fifteen Rounds Times Five

A poor man's son trying to shake off the dirt, on a poor boy's shoes, a poor boy's shirt

His mother made him study, and his father taught him how to work

A little bit different yeah he paid the price, always some bed-wetting bully looking for a fight

He took the hits, he never went down but he might've got hurt

Chorus – He went fifteen rounds times five to the age of seventy five

He never gave up, he never went down, always ready for another round

Fifteen rounds times five, he took the hits but he never took a dive

Close to the edge, close to the bone, travelled the world, now he's heading home

His heart got broke a time or two, 'til the girl of his dreams made his dreams come true

Together they rode that tunnel of young love ride

They built a home and the children came, but she grew ill and she slipped away

He took the hit, he never went down, but I think he might've cried

Repeat Chorus

Did the best he could for forty years, put food on the table, kept his loved ones near
Put a strong roof over their heads, they felt safe in their beds

The machine spit him out before his time, left him behind with what was left of his mind

He took the hit but he never went down, he just started again

Repeat Chorus

Now here we are at the final farewell, the final chapter, the final bell

Final words, final prayers and songs

Seventy five times around the sun, but it's never really over, it's never really done

He took the hits, he never went down and he'll never be gone

...he took the hits, he never went down...

Repeat Chorus

Fine Line

The simple things come back
Sneak up and twist your heart
You can ...rip off that, rear view mirror
But they'll find you in the dark

I took a second look
I sang the money song
I flew so high, I almost touched the sky
When I, came back down love was gone

Chorus - Listen to the wind, It whispers your name
It says... You'll find no peace in the land of the driven
Come back home, all is forgiven
The debt's been paid, forgotten, over-ridden
In time, you'll find, your not walkin' that fine line, anymore

Pride and false confidence
Living in the present tense
You might be blind, to what you left behind
But you'll, live with the consequence

Repeat Chorus

... In time, you'll find, you're not walkin' that fine line, anymore

First, Second, Third (And I'll Be Gone)

The things I thought I wanted
The things I thought I wanted to do
I'd trade them all for one more time
One more day with you

But the promise of more wrapped in silver and gold
Makes a fool so easy to fool
It took me out of sight, out of time, out of my mind
Now I can't find my way back to you so...

Chorus

Put it in gear, take me from here
First, second, third and I'll be gone
This road's the only place that feels like home
I'm burned out tired but this old engine's still so strong

The silence is spreading in this land of white noise
The hour is late, the payment's due
Things known but not spoken, my words become broken
Anyway it's too late to say them to you so...

Chorus – 2X

Flashback Flashes (Woodstock - 1969)

Chorus

1969, 50 years come and gone
But those three days, they live on and on
Peace and music in the rain under that shared August sun
Where half a million came and became one

Going up the country, back to the land
Last stop before Altamont made it feel like it was peace and love's
Last stand ...Freedom in a farmer's field...with a little help from my friends
The Who, Santana, Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young, Arlo Guthrie, Ten Years After
and The Band
Til Jimi Hendrix and his Star Spangled Banner brought it all to a screaming war
and peace end

Repeat Chorus

Got the album, saw the movie, knew the songs and the chants
"No rain, no rain" while the thunder sounded and the lightning flashed
And the day turned into night and the bands played on
Through the darkness till the morning brought a brand new dawn
Was it all some kind of hype, now seen through rose coloured glasses
Baby boomer nostalgia wrapped in flashback flashes
50 years on I still don't know if it was real
Three days of peace and music in Max Yasgur's field

Repeat Chorus

Fleeing Forward

Drifting down, one more nowhere road
Where it leads, you don't want to know
Buy and sell, one more thing nobody needs
Trinkets and trash, distraction guaranteed

Drugged and bored, chasing lives of senseless ease
Watching our TV screens, celebrate celebri-tease
Filled with pride, just before the fall
Flying high, While we're learning to crawl

Chorus 1

Fleeing forward, falling fast, Trying to keep ahead of the inevitable past
Playing with things that we don't understand, Evil is easy, till it makes its demands

The snake is charming, the apple looks so sweet
Take what you want, feed your conceit
Losing your way, forgetting your place
The enemy, doesn't have a face

Repeat Chorus 1

Chorus 2

Fleeing forward, falling fast, Trying to keep ahead of the unforgiving past
In a world of mystery our ignorance knows no bounds,
The only thing I know that's real is the love that I've found
... Fleeing forward, falling fast,

Fly Away

The autumn mists are rolling in, the sun is setting low
The wild geese gather overhead, they know it's time to go
They fly away, on a wing and a prayer, fly away...

The fearsome breath of northern winds have stripped the branches bare
A timeless dance of brittle leaves sent spinning through the air
They fly away, no one knows where, fly away...

Chorus

Fly away...Soar with eagles, sail an endless sea, run with horses
All I ask is wait for me, remember me
Soar with eagles, sail an endless sea, run with horses
All I ask is wait for me ...wait for me (...remember me – 2nd Chorus)

Bridge - You said you didn't want to leave, and yet you couldn't stay
I didn't want to hold you back, I watched you fly away...

A bitter frost has fallen but its efforts are in vain
Since beauty only slumbers gaining strength to rise again
And fly away, on a wing and a prayer, fly away...

Repeat Chorus

For You

I sing for you and watch the streak of tears that stain your tired cheek
While fear of being robbed too soon of what we never owned rips through our
troubled minds
For a time

I play for you to see you smile, contented for a little while
Since bitter winds cannot control the elements of heart and soul that fuse our lives
For our time

Each note for you, love, soft and sweet
Each word for you, love, yours to keep

I pray for you and you for me, with quiet hope that we will be
Kept safe from loss of faith that time will bring a healing of the kind that never
ends,
For all time

Each note for you, love, soft and sweet
Each word for you, love, yours to keep

Forgiven Forgiver

A Riviera with a rosary, hanging from the rearview mirror
Keeping temptation and the devil, out of here
Everything is different, everything has changed
Things I used to laugh about are the very things that keep me sane

Sitting in the seats with the mockers, Waiting to be entertained
The dialogue was clever, but the conversation was strained
True wisdom sees two sides and I'm caught somewhere in between
This veil of misery and the promise of eternity

Chorus

The price is high but the truth is real, love is stronger than the sword and the shield
And in the end, all we'll have is one another
He grew up, had an epiphany, stopped worrying about who he wanted to be
Became a citizen of reality, a keeper, of his brother

By the river of Babylon, I wept when I thought of you
Feeling like some charlatan, spinning words like a clever fool
You might think your doing OK, but you do better when you know your loved
The forgiven forgiver, the more you know, the less you'll judge

Repeat Chorus

...and his mother, and his sister, and his father, and his brother

Forgotten

1) Once he was a hero with a pocket full of gold,
He'd walk down the street and the stories were told
How he'd strike them all out, nine innings in a row
There was no stopping that man, once he started to throw
Now even if the arm it felt the same
Well he's getting too old to be a part of that game
And the numbers get fewer who remember his name
He just chalks it all up to the fickle hand of fame

Chorus

He's forgotten, the world's not the same (-2- the world's moved along)
(-3- but he's still strong)
Now he just plays for the love of the game (-2- now he just plays for the love of the song)
(-3- and he's still praying for a world gone wrong)

Bridge (after verses 1 & 2)

But no one else will ever know, all the things that he's seen
After verse 2- and he just has to smile when he thinks of where he's been
After verse 3- the good and the evil, all the lives in between

2) He could make it scream, he could make it talk
He could play it on his back while doing the walk
He could play it loud, he could play it soft
He was the one who taught so many how to rock
Now the crowds are small, the kids laugh at him
And the notes aren't as fast, they don't make your head spin
The way that they used to when they called his music sin
I guess he just got tired of living out on a limb

3) He was a priest to so many for so many years
Through the joy and the laughter, the pain and the tears
He'd guide them through the darkness, he faced their fears
The shepherd with his flock, he kept them safe and near
But the latest news is bad, they're adrift at sea
They had cut him loose, cause they wanted to be free
Blinded by their ego and not one of them can see
Why they feel so alone with no reason to believe

Freedom From Freedom

Trying to find my mind, In the great in-between
Wasting my time, on what might have been

Fueled by my fear, Fighting for my way
All those wasted years, All those driven days

Bridge - You get a glimpse of the Eden, Your leavin' just as your leaving
Getting' high, getting' even, Every fool finds his reason

Chorus 1 – Give me, Freedom from the freedom, of vanity and desire
Freedom from the freedom of an, ego empire

Higher and higher, down to the wire
Gettin' lost, gettin' real, closer to the fire

Repeat Bridge

Repeat Chorus 1

Chorus 2 –Freedom from the freedom, to sell a piece of your soul
For the price of a fool's paradise and the dust of his gold

From A Distance

From a distance things look easy
A wide open sky, a golden sun
No unanswered whys, no forever goodbyes
Before the innocence had become undone

From a distance things look different
Tomorrow was still yesterday's friend
No cross-current winds, no miscommunications
Before the never mores, and the never agains

Chorus

From a distance the days look simple
Black and white weren't gray and the future was free
And that boy and that girl they lived in some distant dreamtime world
Before they became you and me

From a distance I find your eyes
They ride with mine to those distant days
Two travellers on the same road, the good and the hard times we've both known
We share a smile and the distance fades away

Repeat Chorus

...before what would be, would be

Geezers With Guitars

Picked one up in the 60's when guitars were all the rage
Put it down when we were told to grow up and act our age
Marriage and mortgage, the day to day grind
Took all of our energy, and most of our time

Chorus - Geezers with guitars, it's a new life phase
You see us everywhere, at the local open stage
Hair in our ears, not much on top
We're geezers with guitars, waging war with the clock
[With a belly built by beer we're waging war with the clock]

Some know all the songs, some know just a few
Note for note or the three chord strum, either will do
Record companies ain't calling, neither are the girls
But once you've got geezer guitar fever, there ain't no cure

Repeat Chorus

Every geezer knows he should've quit long ago
There's more age appropriate things like that lawn that needs to be mowed
There's golf and there's checkers, early to bed, turn out the light
Instead us guitar geezers are howling all night

Repeat Chorus

...I'm a geezer with a guitar, and I just can't stop

Get It All In

Get it all in, don't worry 'bout tomorrow
Get it all in, all you've got is today
Get it all in, the pain, the joy, the sorrow
Get it all in, before time takes it all away

Get it all in, your side my side
Get it all in, confusion guaranteed
Get it all in, you'll wait forever for that free ride
Get it all in, before time puts you on your knees

Chorus 1

Day and night, sun and moon
Mother earth, the sheltering sky
Season of plenty, season of ruin
So much, so fast, so soon, so little time

Get it all in, the courage to say what you need to say
Get it all in, the black and white, the shades of gray
Get it all in, working off the debts you'll never repay
Get it all in, before time takes it all away

Repeat Chorus 1

Repeat Chorus 1

Ghosts

I don't walk around ladders, I don't knock on wood
I don't cross my fingers hoping for something good
I don't care if a black cat crosses my path
When I walk down the sidewalk I don't care about the cracks
If I see a penny I might pick it up
But I know that doesn't mean I'm gonna have good luck

Chorus

But I bow my head and I say my prayers
Cause the ghosts are getting louder and they're everywhere
They live in the forgotten memories and the unsung songs
And the silent sound of a chance long gone
In the right that went wrong that got lost in shades of gray
And in all the nowhere roads running off this lost highway
In the seeds never reaped, never planted, never sown
And in all that never was that'll never be known
And there's more and more of them as the time moves on
They're gone, but they're never really gone
So I say my prayers
Cause those ghosts they're everywhere

A rabbit's foot's a rabbit's foot and nothing more
A wishbone's a bit of fun in a tug of war
I open my umbrella when I'm inside
Friday the 13th doesn't make me run and hide
I just pick up the pieces if I break a mirror
I'm not afraid of the next seven years

Repeat Chorus

...yeah I say my prayers
Cause those ghosts they're everywhere

Giving It All Away

Giving it all away
Pretty soon there's nothing left to say
Take away everything that i own
Take away my mind, my heart and my home

In a dark and rundown motel
She lives in her own private hell
She's giving it all away
There's nothing noone can say

Chorus

Giving it all away
It doesn't matter anyway
You know that's what you say
When your giving it all away

One more day comes to an end
She sits at the table and waits for a friend
She swears she'd do whatever he'd say
She's ready to give it all away

There's no use crying anymore
She's gone, she walked right out of that door
You know i tried to make her stay
I wonder if she's giving it all away

Repeat Chorus

Listen...you'll burn yourself out following that dream
You'll lose what you own before you get what you need
You'll find there is no other way
You gotta give it all away

God's Children

Chorus

God takes care of all his children
God takes care to make them free
God looks after all the ones he loves
God looks after you and me

Why do they wait for tomorrow
As if today wouldn't do
Why do they wrap themselves in sorrow
Tired of the old but afraid of the new

Don't they know that every drop of rain
Falling out of the sky
Comes down from God in heaven
To wash away the tears we cry

Repeat Chorus

So many things we can't see now
Will show themselves to be a friend
Even though we can't see how
Things work out in the end

Repeat Chorus

Good And Faithful Servant

Good and faithful servant, your time is at an end
Your family has gathered, your children and your friends
Good and faithful servant, lay down your heavy load
The holy light is calling and it's time to go home

Good and faithful servant, you walked in your master's ways
With all your heart and soul you gave your best through all your days
Good and faithful servant, never asked for anything more
A friend to the poor an open heart an open door

Chorus

The last will be first, the darkness turned to light
The homeless will find shelter, and the blind be given sight
Good and faithful servant, so humble and kind
The kingdom is now yours your weary body left behind

Good and faithful servant, your love it still shines
A beacon of hope in spite of all these troubled times
Good and faithful servant, on the path that leads you home
Where all can be forgiven and every heart is fully known

Repeat Chorus

... your weary body left behind

Good Day (Sunshine Sketches Of A Folk Festival)

Chorus 1

It's a good day for a new day, a good day for me and you
It's a good day, for the sun to shine, a good day for our dreams to come true

The ordinary stays the same 'till you realize everything's changed, and the good times they'll only be here for awhile

The future's always unwritten, the past is the only given, it lives somewhere between a tear and a smile

Repeat Chorus 1

When we all sang along with the folk singer's sweet sad song, we broke through the chains of time someway, somehow

Lost memories, lost places, laughing eyes, smiling faces, became one with the here and the now

Chorus 2

It's a good day for some music, a good day for a song

It's a good day, for the sun to shine, cause tomorrow, today will be gone

... Yeah, it's a good day, for the sun to shine

Goodbye

Everyone's got their own secret sadness
It's there in the wistful, silent sighs
Sometimes it almost disappears, almost gone like it was never here
But it's never far from those faraway eyes

One in a million, a million to one
Lightening never strikes twice, that's what they say
What's gone is gone, that swan sings his song
A lullaby of longing for all that's slipped away

Chorus

And he sings sayonara to that simple innocence
Farewell to the forgotten once timeless tunes
So long to a forever that was never going to end
And goodbye to all the reasons why that used to be true

Now there's a secret sadness in that blue morning sky
In the shadows cast by the sun
The twilight makes silhouettes while the evening bells chime
And sing their song for the day that's almost done

Chorus

They sing sayonara to that simple innocence
Farewell to the forgotten once timeless tunes
So long to a forever that was never going to end
And goodbye to all the reasons why that used to be true – 2X

Goodbye Eyes

That ship is gonna sail, that wind is gonna change
That water's gonna flow under the bridge and nothing's gonna stay the same

Souveniers and memories, yesterday's wine
The soul it knows what the mind can't see and lets the heart know, when it's time

Chorus

And the goodbye eyes they close for the last time
And the goodbye sighs they sigh for the last time
And the forever friends say goodbye for the last time
When forever ends, for the last time

Say a prayer for all who've gone and for what now can never be
For the lost, the lonely, the left behind, but save a prayer for me

Cause the days will have their way and the night will fall
The soul it knows what the mind can't see and the heart, tries to hold on to it all

Chorus – 2X

...when forever ends, for the last time

Grace

I know my leaving is too long overdue
I've lost my faith in the things of this world, the things I thought were true
And the years no longer wait for me
To show them what I might do, what I might be

Once our lives were young, we never had to care
The world's seduced by the young, the beautiful, the fair
The time was ours we never had to try
We had all the answers so we never asked why
...Mmm...

I know my leaving is too long overdue
It was good while it lasted but the good times here are through
What once seemed so easy now seems too hard
And what once seemed so close now seems too far

I have no idea how all of this might end
The things that I've done, some things I can't defend
You're going to find you're going to break if you do not bend
You're going to find some broken things that you cannot mend

...And the love that you keep is the love you spend
And the grace of God is all that's left in the end
And the grace of God is all that's left in the end
...Mmm...

Gray Zone Tonight

The future is here, it won't go away, I always thought that you'd be here too
Now here I am, singing this song, thinking about all the things we've been through

I'd trade this night, for one more day with you, to show you all the ways I've changed
But that wouldn't work, though it gives me something to say, nothing's different it's just been re-arranged

Chorus

How can we see, such different worlds, parallel lines going on out of sight
Hey what do you say, let's give it a rest, I'll meet you in the gray zone tonight

The story's not over, the book isn't full, the world's still going round and round
For a second there I got a flash of light, I almost forgot what hope feels like

Repeat Chorus

Halloween Dad

He got a call from the mother of his kids said, “You wanna take them out on Halloween?

They’d love to see their Dad and I can’t do everything
You can take them trick or treating just try to be back by eight
They’re still pretty young and they get pretty tired if they’re out too late”

So he gets there at six and he knocks on the door of a house he once called home
The kids have got their costumes on, they’re ready to go
Superman and Batman and a little angel with a broken wing
He tries to smile at their mother, but it’s a sad and shy and nervous thing

Chorus

And he says to the kids c’mon let’s go, and they’re out the door and for a moment
he’s alone
With a woman he’s known and shared so many years
She doesn’t look up, just says you better go, they’re waiting outside, they miss
you, you know
And he can see her trying to hold back the tears

So he makes the rounds in the old neighbourhood and the laughter of the kids it
sounds so good
And he wishes he could make everything OK again
Superman and Batman and a little angel with a broken wing
Your Dad doesn’t live with you anymore but he’ll take you out on Halloween

Repeat Chorus – 2X

Where does love go, nobody knows, there’s just broken hearts on the side of the
road
With the broken promises and all the broken dreams
Everybody’s missing someone, what’s done is done, now the kids live with their
Mom
But their Dad still takes them out on Halloween

Hearts Get Broken

Behind your cautious eyes, your careful smile, your humble soul
Something got broken, a long time ago

I never knew the story, but I saw it everyday
You were here, this was now, but your heart was so far away

Chorus

Hearts, they get broken, in so many ways
A betrayal, a kiss
A long ago love, a long ago wish
A road not taken, a dream forsaken
Innocence wronged and forever gone
Words unspoken, hearts get broken
In so many ways

Time, it moves on, but some things left behind they're never gone
Your mind's the judge and your heart's the jury and the trial just goes on and on
and on and on

Down that river of why, deep inside, a memory
Somewhere, east of Eden, you're still searching for your reason to believe

Repeat Chorus

...hearts can get broken, in so many ways

Heaven Could Be Here

All this fighting, this pushing and this shoving
This belittling, this blaming, this blustering, this shaming, this bitterness, this
anger, going nowhere, leaving nothing

Chorus

Ahh...

But heaven could be here...

A little more love, a little respect, forgive and forget ...Ahh...

Heaven could be here....Ahh.....

Accusation, allegation, retribution, retaliation

Getting even, evening the score, wanting more and more and more and more

Repeat Chorus

You might say it's...

Some kind of hippie dream, for the weak and the naive

A peacenik wannabe fantasy, a made-up world of make believe

Repeat Chorus

...C'mon smile on your brother, everybody get together try to love one another
right now ...Ahh

Heaven could be here

...Ahh.....Heaven could be here

Her Sadness Makes Her Beautiful

Her eyes, sad and shadowed
Her smile, faint and slow
Her beauty, hides the darkness
You know those eyes have known

She watches from the distance
The dance of young love she knew so well
She knew all the steps and she swayed to the music
Till the harsh light of day broke the spell

Chorus

But her sadness it makes her beautiful
Her longing, it makes her real
A wounded soul, a broken heart
Everybody knows and everybody feels

The days of darkness, the days of light
She knows they come and they go
Broken and beautiful she walks through the night
Under the lingering light of love's broken road

Repeat Chorus

...everybody knows

Here We Go Again

Went for a ride, down by the beach
Nice sunny day, she was looking so sweet
I said, you wanna go for a walk, she said, no way, it's way too hot
Just take me home, and I thought, here we go, again

I said OK, I pulled away, turned the radio on
Our stoney silence was broken by, one of my favourite songs
I said I like this a lot, she said I can't stand that guy, turn it off
Just take me home, and I thought, here we go, again

Chorus

Here we go down that same old road, like all the times before
Accusations go round, righteous reasons are found to heat up our/that old cold war
Who's wrong, who'll get to be right, looking for a reason for another fight
Here comes the night, nobody's gonna win, here we go again

Changed the station, changed the dial, trying to change the mood
News came on, said we're dropping bombs, sending in the troops
Some unwinnable, never-ending thing, same old lines, spoken and crossed
It's us or it's them, the price will be high, so much will be lost
I dropped her off and I thought, here we go, again

Repeat Chorus

...here we go again

Heroes

Once he was my hero
Where he would lead I would go
He knew things I wanted to know
Once he was my hero

He knew what was right, what was wrong
When to let go, when to be strong
When to stand up, when to try to get along
Once he was hero my but now he's gone

Chorus

Some things they disappear
And some things they were never here
Sometimes that wind it'll blow you down a different road
And you'll finally see what you've always known
When your heroes become human, part of this day to day dust
Somewhere between right and wrong here with the rest of us

There's a sadness that comes from waking up
From a naïve sleep and from knowing too much
Thought lines get crossed, mysteries unlock
Heroes stumble where once they proudly walked
On that river of time's ever-changing shore
Where you learn that those old stories won't work anymore

Repeat Chorus

Hey Little Girl

Chorus

Hey little girl, it must seem like a mixed up world going round
You get turned upside down by, broken hearts and homes and broken vows
Welcome to this sad old world where a lost love can touch a little girl
And right and wrong they slide 'til the only way out is goodbye
Hey little girl, it must seem like a mixed up world going round

Eyes wide open, the door shut tight, angry silence after one more fight, nobody wins
Each in their corner, each in their room, but you know another round will be coming soon, again

You roll over and you try to sleep, but it's gone too far and it's way too deep
You don't want to be near what you know you're gonna see and hear
The coming apart and the bitter tears of the ones whose love first brought you here
And the only home you've ever known disappears

Hey little girl, don't ever lose that pretty little smile
Tears they come, but tears they go and everything is only for a while

A sweet beginning comes to an end, when a once true love can no longer bend
And someone thinks they're running out of time
A lost love a broken home and angry words on the phone
And someone's feeling all alone tonight

Repeat Chorus

High And Dry

Suzie said she'd love him till the day he died
Said he didn't need her and went out for a ride
He went to the bar, got into a fight
Never came home, he stayed out all night,
Suzie lies awake, wondering where he could be
He's just another soul trying to be free

Chorus

You've got to work all day until the day is done
Cause if you don't do it, well you might as well run
Away from everything that belongs to you
Cause if you don't some day it'll turn on you
High and dry, turned around
You're never gonna fly if your feet aren't on the ground

Lou was a loser in a dirty town
Try anything, they'd keep knocking him down
With one last shot at the big time dream
He's gonna give it all to his home town queen
But she ran out on him, before he got his chance
Now he stumbles around, another victim of romance

Repeat Chorus

Reading about some star in a fan magazine
Lucy just knew she was meant to be a queen
And all she had to do to make the scene
Was deny everyone, everything she'd been
Fantasy world, fantasy dream
One more victim of the hype machine

Repeat Chorus

Hockey Night In Canada

Saturday night, 1964
Sittin' with my Dad, waitin' for our team to score
Frank Mahovlich, Jean Beliveau,
Toronto's playing Montreal, hey what a show

Chorus 1

Hockey Night In Canada, coast to coast
One in the net, another one hit the post
Hockey Night In Canada, the home crowd roars
A shot from the point, he shoots he scores

The rushes, the hits, the play by play,
Foster Hewitt called it first, they're still calling it today
Coach's Corner, it's a hotstove tonight
Opinions abound, sometimes wrong, sometimes right, but it's...

Chorus 2

Hockey Night In Canada, go for the net
Pull that goalie boys, it ain't over yet
Hockey Night In Canada, last minute of play
It's now or never boys, make 'em pay

Bridge - Rocket Richard, Bobby Hull, Gordie Howe
Wayne Gretzky, Sydney Crosby got the gift, they know how
Hockey heroes, the ice is their home
Hockey Night In Canada, this game we call our own

Repeat Chorus 1

...it's Saturday night, just like so many years before
Sittin' with my kids, waitin' for our team to score

Honeymoon

Heading down love's highway, heading for the Falls
Where dreams are real 'til real life it calls
The honeymoon couple, a boy and a girl
Believing in their forever love, one of the wonders of this world

They walk through the garden, the flowers and the trees
They hold hands and feel that sweet, young love breeze
Blowing them to tomorrow, to a future yet to come
Together believing, that they'll always be one

They view the lights and they take the cruise and get lost in love's mist
But then they start wondering 'bout what they might have missed
Going round and round on that big ferris wheel
Things start spinning so fast and they wonder if it's real

And then comes the haunted house with the unspoken, unheard and unseen
They don't know where they're going and lose track of where they've been
And they get so lost in the funhouse maze and it gets so dark and they can't find
their way
And the current gets strong and the whirlpool spins
And it's so hard to find their way back again

Through the attraction of distraction, the twisting tunnels, the wrong turn roads
It gets harder to hold on to the ride and easier to just, let it all go
And it all goes by so fast, things are here 'til they disappear
And they're left with a rose coloured memory and a few souvenirs

Heading down love's highway, heading for the Falls
Where dreams are real 'til real life it calls
The honeymoon couple, a boy and a girl
Believing in their forever love, one of the wonders of this world

How Right I Was

I always knew that you'd be gone
I always felt like we didn't have long
I amaze myself sometimes, that's just because
I can't believe how right I was

You said you'd always be around
But every other night you were heading downtown
And I knew 'bout the distance between what she says and what a women she does
But I never knew how right I was

Chorus

A fool can trade his money for, a bunch of lies
'til one day he sees the truth and a little piece of him dies
It's funny I wasn't more surprised about the things that I watched you do
I guess I always knew about you

Maybe I'll wait just another little while
You never know with fate, it might decide to smile
We could start over, I'll forget again
Just how right I've always been

Repeat Chorus

... It's funny I wasn't more surprised about the things that I watched you do
I guess I always knew about you

Humble Power

The saints will have to wait for one of their own to come home
‘Cause we still need your prayers your light, your warm love shining bright, on this shadowed and broken road
For blessed are the merciful, the peacemakers, the pure of heart
And blessed is the spirit that shines on and on, and on, and on, through the dark

Chorus

I can feel the humble power
Of a faith so holy and true
I can feel the saints and the darkness breaks
When I, I walk with you

The Lord sends us guides for so blind are our eyes with fearful tears
Their strength makes us strong and it carries us on ‘til the darkness disappears

Repeat Chorus – 2X

...when I, I walk with you

The saints will have to wait for one of their own to come home...

Hush Little Baby

Hush little baby, why do you cry
Your family is close now, they hear every sigh
The angels are watching, over you
Whatever you say, wherever you go, whatever you do

Hush little baby, you know it's true
This poor world it needs now, little children like you
Hush little baby, please don't you fear
For those who do care and those who love you, will always be near

Hush little baby, please go to sleep
Your time is your own now, no promises to keep
Your future is waiting, it's waiting for you
Whatever you say, wherever you go, whatever you do
...whatever you say, wherever you go, it's waiting for you

I Ache For You

I cry myself to sleep, thinking of you asleep, with him
And I, I try to hide from the pain, I stand alone in the rain, again

Chorus 1

And I, I ache for you, I cry for you, every night
And I, I pray to God, I make these deals, to make it right

And time, doesn't mean that much, when I can still feel the touch, of your hand
And I, I want to run and hide, but I'm so weak inside, I can hardly stand

Chorus 2

And I, I try to close my mind, I don't have the time, for these thoughts of you
But I, I ache for you, I really do, you know it's true

Bridge

And you, you never say a word, your silent tears unheard, in the night
Lost, in someone else's world, someone else's girl, goodnight

I, I lost myself for a while, I could feel the child breaking through
And I, I forgave everyone, what was done was done, I forgave you

Repeat Chorus 1

Repeat Chorus 2

I Belong To You

Out here alone with my mind
Everything can feel so unkind
Lord I've wasted so much time
Out here alone with my mind

Dancing around the flame
Playing some kind of reckless game
Who's to bless and who's to blame
Playing with love's precious flame

Chorus

Hold me tight my darling, I belong to you
Have mercy on my mind, it wants to come home too
I'm sorry for everything, I put you through
All the things I did, and didn't do
I never meant to hurt you, to make you feel so blue
Hold me tight my darling, I belong to you

Last night I had a dream, everything was done
Yesterday and tomorrow had become one
There were no dark shadows under our sun
Just you and me dreaming as one

Repeat Chorus

...hold me tight my darling, I belong to you

I Don't Believe Anymore ('Cause I Know It's True)

I used to believe that love could change the world
And in all the good that an act of kindness can do
That this nowhere road goes somewhere and someday we'll see
I don't need to believe anymore 'cause I know it's true

I used to believe that sometimes you might find
The mystical in the earth, the sky so blue
In the eyes of a child, an old one's wise and knowing smile
I don't need to believe anymore 'cause I know it's true

Chorus

I used to believe in the power of prayer
I used to believe that God was everywhere
I used to believe in forevermore
Open hearts, open arms and open doors
I used to believe that love would see us through
I don't need to believe anymore 'cause I know it's true

I used to believe that evil was real
Wrapped in the charm of forbidden fruit
The devil wants your soul and he'll tempt you with fool's gold
I don't need to believe anymore 'cause I know it's true

Repeat Chorus

... I used to believe in me and you
I don't need to believe anymore 'cause I know our love is true

(With apologies to Carl Jung who said – “ I don't need to believe, I know.”)

I Drove By Our Old House Today

I drove by our old house today
A brand new car in the driveway
The curtains were hung like somebody cared
Like a happy young couple/family was living there

I remember those walls they felt like they were closing in
I remember that door I was never going to go through it again
I remember how we couldn't leave but we couldn't stay
I drove by our old house today
I drove by our old house today

Chorus

The tree I planted has grown so strong
The shadows it casts have grown so long
And the flowers you planted they still bloom in the spring
I drove by our old house, I remember everything

I know these streets but they don't look the same
I second guess every turn I used to be so sure of the way
I wonder if you ever come here, if you feel the same
I drove by our old house today
I drove by our old house today

Repeat Chorus

...The first time we saw it, our brand new home
‘Til the last time we walked away from the first love we’d ever known
I wonder sometimes if you ever feel the same
I drove by our old house today
I drove by our old house today

I Feel Alright

A sad song, from a long time gone, but I, I feel alright
The road is long, I stumble on, but I, I feel alright

Out of time, out of the game, but I, I feel alright
I missed the signs, no one to blame, but I, I feel alright

Chorus

I feel alright, like a kid on a bike, on a warm summer night, following the moonlight, I feel alright, I feel alright

So much to do, so little to say, but I, I feel alright
Nothing's new, everything's changed, but I, I feel alright

Flying blind, falling behind, but I, I feel alright
Out of your mind, out of my time, but I, I feel alright

Chorus

I feel alright, like a kid on a bike, on a warm summer night, following the moonlight,
when that, new girl smiled, from a, cross the aisle, like when tomorrow felt so
bright, for yesterday's child, I feel alright, I feel alright, I feel alright, I'll be alright

I Held It All Together (Til It All Came Apart)

All the should'ves and the could'ves come down hard like the rain
On the broken part of every misplaced moment that got away
Broken glass and mirrors, broken dreams and a broken heart
I held them all together 'til it all came apart

Chorus

And as I wander through the day to day
I sometimes see your eyes in a strangers face
A look, a glance, a smile and if the light's just right
I can daydream in the shadows of the moonlit night

The good times aren't the good times 'til they're gone and time's moved on
The bad times they'll come and go 'til the swan sings its song
I try to wash my hands but where I've been has left its mark
I held it all together 'til it all came apart

Repeat Chorus

A second chance, a second dance, second time around
Second guess, blame and bless, what's been lost and what's been found
Second wind, second time again, I don't know where to start
I held it all together 'til it all came apart

Repeat Chorus - 2X

I Know That It's True

I've shown her every, thing that I've done
Is wasted time, the price of worthless fun
I've shown her every, thing that I've been
Innocent or guilty, somewhere in between

All my secrets, she holds in her eyes
She knows every one, she's never surprised
Loves burning passion, taken to extremes
She's made me touch it, now I know what it means

Chorus

I know that it's true now, I know it's not a lie
All those pretty, pretty stories, about a love that never dies
And I know all about it, a love so hot you burn
But you hold on tight, cause you want to learn
Every secret, the mystery of her soul
How she can take half a man, and make him whole

Every night, before I go to sleep
I say a prayer, for her soul to keep
Away from harm, always free
Within my heart, close to me

Angel of God, my gaurdian dear
Whom God's love, has entrusted here
Please forever, be at my side
To light, to gaurd, to love, to guide

Repeat Chorus

I Need To Believe In You

When I was a kid, I heard the hit parade
Sweet soul sounds riding radio waves
Words and music, guitars and drums
But the magic almost died when I looked inside
I saw greed and calculated emotion collide
But I still believe in the beauty of a song

Chorus

I need to believe in tomorrow
I need to believe in you
Between the day and the night, the black and the white, the good and the evil, the wrong and the right
I need to believe the promise is true
And I need to believe in you

I went to church, I went to school,
Learned the power of prayer and the golden rule
Faith, hope and love, the heavenly host
A robe and cross disguised the enemy inside
The faithful lost their faith, the devil's evil was wide
But I still believe in the Father, Son and Holy Ghost

Repeat Chorus

We started out strong love was everywhere
Every thought, word and deed, our hearts laid bare
Every reason to believe, every reason we'd need to trust
Well we took some wrong turns yeah people make mistakes
But you forgive and move on 'cause time's short and it won't wait
And I still believe in you and me and us

Repeat Chorus

... I need to believe in tomorrow
I need to believe in you
At the end of this old road after the rain there'll be a rainbow
I need to believe the promise is true
I need to believe in you, I need to believe in you, I need to believe in you

I Never Worried About You

Once I worried bout time flying by,
Here and gone in the blink of an eye
Once I worried bout tomorrow, what it would bring
A broken world on a broken string
Once I worried bout making things right
I'd stay up all night, waiting for some kind of light
Once I worried bout all there was to do
But I never worried about you
No, I never worried about you

Chorus

Cause you were the one, the sun shone on
So warm when the days were cold, so humble, yet so strong
You were the one, who'd know the way
Through the darkest darkness to a brand new day
You were the one who could make everything alright, you knew
When to let go, when to make peace and when to stand up for what was right
You were the one who'd always be there
Now all I can do is pray that you'll hear my prayer
All I can do is pray that you'll hear my prayer
I always thought that you'd always be there

Once I worried bout the things I couldn't change
A last goodbye, a loved one slipping away
Once I worried bout what I wish I never knew
But I never worried about you
No, I never worried about you

Repeat Chorus

...Now all I can do is pray that you'll hear my prayer

I Pray Everyday

Wake up in the morning, temptation waits for me
It lives in the shadow, of who I want to be
My mind plays along, and hides from the light
It twists the truth to make the wrong feel right
So I pray, I pray every day...

People, places, the days fly by
Here and gone in the blink of an eye
I try to hold on, I do what I can
But everything I know, is in God's hands
So I pray, I pray every day...

Opiate for the masses, panacea for the poor
I was too smart for God, I'm not that smart anymore
From Darwin to Dawkins, they got it all explained
But the mysteries remain
...So I pray, I pray, I pray every day

This world keeps turning, round and round
On its greed, and its need, its ups and its downs
Starvation, war, mans' the arrogance of man
There's lots of people talking, no one really understands
So I pray, I pray every day
...I pray

I Saw Your Notice In The Paper

I saw your notice in the paper
I saw your notice in the paper
Peacefully at home with your family by your side
After a brief illness you bravely fought to survive
Visitation at 2, Service at 4
Your life in a paragraph, there's so much more
I saw your notice in the paper

It took me back to who we were, so long ago
Yeah, go carts and forts a ten and twelve year old
You were just a little bit older than me
But you showed what to do, what to look for what to see
I saw your notice in the paper

Chorus

Long ago days, long ago friends
Back when time was immortal and it would never end
From forever young to a requiem
I think I always thought that I would see you again

Predeceased by your parents, survived by your sister
She was my first crush, you were my way to be with her
We'd make eyes across the room but it was never meant to be
I wonder if she'd even remember me
I saw your notice in the paper

Older on the street, you had the car
You taught me drive and how to play this guitar
You were one of the boys but you could talk to the girls
You lead me deep inside that boy girl world
I saw your notice in the paper

Repeat Chorus

...I don't even know if I should even go
A lot of people there I won't know
I'd like to pay my respects but it's been so long
I hadn't seen you in years when I read that you were gone
I saw your notice in the paper ...3X

I Thought I Saw You

I thought I saw you walking alone
On your way back home in the fading light
I know I knew it wasn't you, but the heart and soul do what they have to do
As the day makes its journey into the night

I thought I saw you on the twilight shore
Under that fading summer sun
I know I knew it couldn't be but sometimes you see what you need to see
When you can't break free of what's over and done

Chorus

I thought I saw you at the Dylan show
In the middle of the crowd yeah, you weren't alone
And for a moment you felt like you belonged
Singing "Forever Young" like you did before those bridges got burned and those lines got drawn
Before forever young became forever gone

I thought I saw you in the fading flames
Of a fire that once burned bright on the beach
I know I knew it wasn't real just the trace of a memory that the shadows revealed
Another moment in time that's years out of reach

Repeat Chorus

...and forever gone went on and on...

I Walk On

I've been on this road for so long
Everyone I know has moved on
Found their way, found their own song
But I walk on, I walk on...

Through the night to the morning
Through the Winter to the Spring
Stay the course don't heed the warnings
I walk on, I walk on...

Chorus

This is all I know, a change is going to come
And with every change I've known, I always lose someone
But I'll be here, for the long run
I'll be here, 'till that last song is sung
Walk on, Walk on, Walk on, Walk on

Tried the push and the shove,
Fought the hawk and the dove
All and more of the above
But I settled on love, I settled on love ...cause

Repeat Chorus

(I Was Wrong About Almost Everything But I Was Right About You)

With the arrogance of youth I knew what had to be done, before the years became
memories and I hadn't even begun

To be humbled by the toll, the price you'll pay, trying to do what's right, in the day
to day

Before I learned, how low you could go, trying to get by in a world, you'll never
understand or know

Where, choice, chance and circumstance can make you so confused

I was wrong about almost everything, but I was right about you

Yeah me and you

Bridge - I had never walked a mile in anybody's shoes

Never had to make a choice when either way I'd lose

I had never had to hold on, had to see it all through

When you knew a storm was coming, and there was nothing you could do ---

I'd never seen a million shades of gray, wrapped in shades of blue, Or the way that
love gets twisted, til the heart becomes a wound

I was wrong about almost everything, but I was right about

Yeah, me and you

I thought the days would be easy and the future would be free

And the world would become what I wanted it to be

The answers would be simple for the right kind of mind and the right kind of mind
would be a lot like mine

The old was for the old and the new was what I knew and the new would take us
all to a brand new truth

Till that brand new truth became untrue and I knew

I'd been wrong about almost everything, but I was right about you

Yeah, me and you

Yeah, me and you

I'd Do It All Again (If You Were There Too)

Bright summer days, soft summer nights
Sweet summer love, warm summer light
The story's so old, but first time through it feels so new
And I'd do it all again, if you were there too

A child crying in the night, not a penny to our name
We took turns watching 'til the morning came again
The fever broke, the storm was gone, the sun came shining through
I'd do it all again, if you were there too

Chorus

So many twists and turns, ah the years they come and go
Only you and I were there, so only you and I can know
All the memories we made, all the mysteries we knew
And I'd do it all again, if you were there too

Now the days are getting shorter, on this carousel of time
Through right and wrong, the years move on, there's so much left behind
All we've seen, where we've been, and all we've been through
I'd do it all again, if you were there too

Repeat Chorus

...yeah, I'd do it all again, if you were there too

I'd Give Anything

All the little projects you wanted me to do with you
Like hanging up pictures in our little house, fixing up rooms
I'd be there but I'd be somewhere else thinking of all the better ways my time I could spend
Now I'd give anything to hang those pictures with you again

Watching some movie, I didn't want to see
It'd bring out tears in you and boredom in me
Something 'bout life and love and forever friends
Now I'd give anything to watch that movie with you again

Chorus

All your little projects, the little things that you'd do
You always wanted me to do them with you but I'd say
It's too early, can't it wait, I'm too tired, it's too late
On that cold road sometimes I'd even let go of your hand, back then
Now I'd give anything to hold that hand again

Making things nice, a room with a view
Washing windows so that sun would come shining through
Planting the garden where your flowers grew
Now I'd give anything to plant that garden again with you

Repeat Chorus

All the little things you wanted us to do
That never got done while the days they flew
Now I'm here all alone with my remembering when
And I'd give anything for you to be here with me again

I'm A Dog

My tongue is usually, hanging out
I get where I'm goin, by following my snout
What I am, there isn't any doubt ...I'm a dog

I like to be by my master's side
In the car with my head hanging outside
When we're together it's always a sweet, sweet ride ...I'm a dog

Chorus 1 - I'm faithful, I don't argue, I aim to please
Do what he says, if I know what he means
Anything my master wants, I'm always keen ...I'm his dog

I lay around, I scratch when I itch
When I see other canines I take a fit
When you're looking for who farted, I'm usually it ...I'm a dog

Chorus 2 –I'm the only one that doesn't fight with him
When I see my master coming, I welcome him in
Don't ask for explanations or where he's been ...I'm his dog

Repeat Chorus 1

My breath it really, makes a stink
Must be that tasty toilet water, I like to drink
One thing's for certain, I'm not the missing link

I'm Not Worried Anymore

The angels are watching, over me
They're on my shoulder, when I'm on my knees

Chorus

So I'm not worried anymore
I can take whatever comes, knockin on that door
I'm not worried anymore

The things your chasing, the things you want
They either come to you, or they don't

Chorus

But I'm not worried anymore
I can take whatever comes, pounding on that door
I'm not worried anymore

People come, and people go
But there is one, who's always close

Chorus

So I'm not worried anymore
I can take whatever comes, crashing through that door
I'm not worried anymore

Repeat Chorus

If I'm With You

Saw the leaves lose their colour as the days lost their warmth
And that hard wind grew colder gusting in from the North
Summertime's promise, got lost when those winter winds blew
Between time and its tides, and the unknowable whys
I'll be OK, I'll find a way, if I'm with you

The signs were uncertain and the days sometimes drifted away
Between the right and the wrong and the words I couldn't find to say
Shifting shades of gray, coloured everything I once thought was true
Between the lows and the highs, I know I'll never know why
But I'll be OK, I'll find a way, if I'm with you

Bridge

The fortune teller read the cards, I could tell he didn't like what he could see
But then he smiled and said we'd be OK, if I stayed close to you and you stayed
close to me

This road's rough and old and time's still demanding and taking its tolls
I hold on to this wheel cause there's still so many more miles to go
That winter snow falls on what's left of what's gone, what's left of all that we've
been through
Between the whispers and the sighs, the never ending whys
I'll be OK, I'll find a way, if I'm with you

If The Story's True

Chorus

If the story's true it'll be a, wonderful day
If the story's true it makes, all this pain OK there'll be
Loved ones and friends, I haven't seen in years
They've been waiting for me there, while I've been missing them here
If the story's true

Father and mother, sister and brother
Friends long gone like all the years we shared with one another
All in one place, in one time, and one space
Together forever, no more tears just a warm embrace

Repeat Chorus

Some people live long, some are gone before their time
Everyone gets wounded, we just shake our heads we don't know why
Will the circle be unbroken, by and by
Will we all be together in that heavenly sky

Repeat Chorus

...if the story's true
...if the story's true

I'm Getting Better

I used to try to be a lot of things I knew would never be me
I used to try to keep ahead of the shadows and what was left of the memories
I used to try to be, certain, in a world of uncertainty
But I'm OK now, with what I'll never be

These days there's not much I want, or need to say
The noise gets so loud no one would hear me anyway
And that past is getting closer and the future's getting further and further away
...but I'm OK, these days

Chorus

I'm getting better, at being alone
I'm getting better at living with some of the regrets I've known
I'm getting better at letting go, of things I used to hold, in my hands
I'm getting better at letting go, of things it took me years to know, I'll never understand
I'm getting better...

Tonight, I'll drive through that twilight light
Under the setting sun so low in the sky but still burning bright
On a world that can sometimes feel so wrong but can sometimes feel so right
I'll be OK, in that twilight light ...cause

Repeat Chorus

...I'm getting better

In A Dream

The dream it wasn't real, but it was true
It made no sense but I knew
Every place, every voice, every face, every choice
That I made and what I did and didn't do
It wasn't real but it was true

Sometimes in a dream you see what you want to believe
And your long time gone is given a reprieve
You're back in your never again, and you don't want the dream to end
And you see again what you thought you'd never see
And you live again what you thought could never be

Close the door, shut out the light
Here comes the night
With everything you've seen done and been
A forgotten memory remembered as a dream
A moment, in time, redeemed

Lost in a dream, somewhere in that world between
What I've done and what I've seen and what could've been
The good times, the times so hard, the darkest night under the brightest star
A voice, a place, a face, from another time in a dream scape
It wasn't real but it was true
It made no sense but I knew
The dream wasn't real but it was true

In Between Days

I forgot what I came to remember, stayed too long at the fair
Sang the same songs even though the reasons were gone, just a memory, wrapped
in a poem and a prayer

The day to day is a brutal teacher, when you're misunderstood the signs get
misread
And all the unspoken words, drown out everything that's been said

Chorus - Ashes to ashes the in-between days, the in-between lives as the dreams
fade away
Dust to dust, you know that it's true, you start off black & white, you end up black
& blue

I want to believe in someday, I want to believe in you
I want to believe in just one more time, but for now, what we've done, will have to
do

The burned out sign says it's time, the dream police say move along
Don't look back the past is gaining fast, just let that swan, sing its song

Repeat Chorus

...Ashes to ashes dust to dust, Ashes to ashes dust to dust, Ashes to ashes dust to
dust, Ashes to ashes dust to dust

In The Blink Of An Eye

Saturday morning, weekend's underway
Family coming, gonna be a good day
Should be here by now, no answer on the phone
Police car stops – in front of your home

A warm Wednesday afternoon
Everything can change so fast, so soon
A phone call, a voice crying on the line
Somebody's gone – somebody's left behind

Chorus

A knock on the door, a whisper in the night
A secret now known, a wrong never made right
A future undone, everything's changed
In the blink of an eye nothing – will be the same

A pleasant valley Sunday in Pleasantville
Doin' OK, paying the bills
But that ground can shift so fast, just a moment in time
The reasons fall away - the ties no longer bind

Repeat Chorus

... in the blink of an eye nothing – will be the same

Inside Job

In between the, hyped scene of the, wanna be's and the, don't wanna be seen
Easy money but nobody, rides for free

No quarter, take it all, the dollars so hot, it burns it scalds
No one heard "last call" till we hit that wall

Chorus

Sometimes we get it right, sometimes we get it wrong
Sometimes it don't feel right, like somebody else's song
Maybe we're out of time, maybe we're out of line
Maybe the deal's been signed, and taken to the bank

A free market inside job, big money singing the same old song
Wants you to, close your eyes and believe and just sing along

Black to red, the smile fades, lean and mean now get out of the way
The rats are coming back and the piper, never got paid

Repeat Chorus

...repeat last 2 lines of Chorus

Into The Light

A moment of darkness, black as the night
A new morning breaks through I walk into the light

Seductive shadows, forbidden fruit
From a moment of doubt to a moment of truth

Mistakes, missteps, forgotten forgiven
A new day a new dawn, a little moment of heaven

Bad times don't last, they come and they go
You hold onto the highs and let go of the lows

Chorus

There's no free ride, you're in and out like the tide
And the rain is gonna fall
Til that sun breaks through and makes the old brand new
And the walls don't seem so tall
All the things that could've been, well I still carry those dreams
And sometimes dreams come true
Like a blessing from above, a gift of love
Another day with you

One step forward, two steps back
Wrong road, wrong turn but I'll get back on that track

Shooting star in the sky, raindrop rippling on a pond
Like every moment in time, they're here then they're gone

Repeat Chorus

A moment of darkness, black as the night
A new morning breaks through I walk into the light
...into the light, into the light

Into The Mystery

The prayers are said
For the living and the dead
For the ones so dear who've disappeared
Gone but they're still here
The now and forever that's everywhere
The joy and the sorrow, the hope and despair
On a prayer and a sigh
And the never-ending why
The voices they rise
Into the mystery

The lessons are taught and learned
The candles are lit and the incense is burned
The joyful, the sorrowful, the glorious
Take the searcher to the mystical that surrounds us
The child with his dreams, the old man with his prayers
Both part of the mystery that they both share
On a prayer and a sigh
And the never-ending why
Their voices they rise
Into the mystery

Prayers go up, the head bows down
The day to day goes round and round
The night it falls the mystical it calls
The searcher's life, it feels so small
Just a walking shadow in a shadowland
With its twists of fate and the unseen hand
On a prayer and a sigh
And the never-ending why
The voices/fallen they rise
Into the mystery

Is This Where I Belong

This old world it has its ways
It gives and it takes til all is said and done
And what once was the road ahead becomes the road left behind
Where the old, pray for the young

I didn't want to hurt anybody
I know I didn't want to hurt you
But the devil has his ways, says I'll free you from your chains
There's just this thing I want you to do

Chorus

A stranger in a strange land
Where all I've known is going, going, gone
I keep my eyes down, my feet on the ground as I wander through this ghost town
And I wonder, is this where I belong

The further away, the closer I get
To what was and what will never be
Trying to find the light, trying to make some kind of peace with the night
And what's left of a fading memory

Repeat Chorus

...And I wonder, is this where I belong
I wonder

It Don't Hurt Anymore

It don't hurt anymore
It can't hurt me anymore
I threw away the key when I closed that door
And it don't hurt anymore

I used to follow you around
I used to feel like some kind of fool, some kind of clown
I used to live in your underground
I used to follow you around

Now you're walking on the other side
Now you know how it feels to lose your mind while you're losing your pride
You want to get off but you keep hanging on to that sad, sad ride
And you're getting so lonely with your new guy

It don't hurt anymore
It can't hurt me anymore
I threw away the key when I closed that door
And it don't hurt anymore
... it don't hurt anymore
... it don't hurt anymore

It Gets Me Every Time

Driving along, radio's on,
That song about a forever that's gone
Those young days and nights, youth's summertime wine
Now there's empty lakes and empty streets
Where the world was once young there's just an empty beach
Don't look back 'cause what you're looking for you'll never find
That song, it gets me every time

All the water under the bridge
Stories to tell, lives that were lived
Gone like the sound of a silent evening bell chime
Not a lot of money but getting by
Under a warm summer sun and a wide open sky
Buying you a treasure at the local five and dime
That memory, it gets me every time

Like the waves on the water when that winter wind blows
Where those summertime dreams go nobody knows
They're just a distant light, a faraway flame
Fading away into the never again
Like a moment of forever, a whispered prayer
A shadow of something that was almost there
But the song is over and that church bell chimes
For what is and what will be and for what got left behind
Those bells, they get me every time

Driving around this old town
Trying to get lost in what can't be found
Like a blind man trying to find some kind of healing shrine
There's snow on the road and the lines aren't clear
It used to be so easy to get there from here
To those young summer days weaving the ties that bind
Ah those ties, they get me every time

It Goes On And On

Chorus

She won't let it go, he won't let it go
They won't let it go so it goes on and on
She won't forget, he's not over it yet
They won't let it rest so it goes on and on

Somebody heard something, somebody said
Somebody told someone and the lines were drawn
The righteous walls went up, the kool aid was drank from the righteous cup
And the righteously right knew that everybody else was wrong and...

Repeat Chorus

You can run on fear or faith, you can run on love, you can run on hate
Maybe it's the anger that makes you feel alive
If you're looking someone you can kick around, someone's name you can drag
down, here I am but you'll have to get in line cause...

Repeat Chorus

... On and on and on and on and
On and on it goes on and on
... On and on and on and on and
On and on it goes on and on

(It Might Be Over But) It's Never Done

Getting ready for tomorrow
Almost through with today
Take what I've learned, begged and borrowed
And make peace with what I can't change

The round and round, the up and down, the here and the gone
What will be and what will never be
A forgiving word, a simple song
One more reason for you and me to believe

Chorus

From the morning dawn to the setting sun
Through the night waiting for the light to come
A word, a prayer, a moment shared
It might be over but it's never done

What once was so distant gets closer every day
I've seen so much but I don't have much to say
Once I had all the young answers til the answers slipped away
Now I just pray for peace with what I know I can't change

One day at a time, one step then another
Further along this old road
Everything changes, the known becomes unknown
But I know this old road will take me home
...And I know I'm not alone

Repeat Chorus

...It might be over but it's never done

It Won't Be Long ('till I See You Again)

It won't be long 'till I see you again,
I don't know if you'll know me there's so much that has changed
Why I'm still here I can't explain,
The reasons aren't clear and so few remain
But it won't be long now, 'til I see you again

Young moments in the sun, the time it slips away,
But the song isn't over 'till the last note fades
Into the eternal now and all its shades of gray,
But I'll see you again somehow, someway
It won't be long now, the time slips away

Chorus

We twist, we turn, through that door of no return, the embers die, but the memory burns
On this thin ice dance, where there's no second chance, no turning back, on this one way track
I never know where, I never know when, but I see your face every now and then
In the fire's last flame, in the eye of a hurricane, a rainbow in the rain, in the shadow of a windowpane

The future might be finished, still the days they pass,
The mind gets slow, but the time moves fast
In a secret garden, on a secret path,
I'll see you again in the aftermath
It won't be long now, the days they pass so fast

Repeat Chorus

...In the water that shines, in my time out of mind, in that thin, fine line, in the eyes of the blind
In the fire's last flame, in the eye of a hurricane, a rainbow in the rain, in the shadow of a windowpane
...I know I'll see you again, ...I know I'll see you again

It'll Get Better

The news is bad, the newsman's eyes look so sad
And it feels like the future is slipping away
Watching from a gray lonely room, on a beautiful sunny afternoon
Been a long time since you could say you felt OK

The cars on the road, they sound like they know
Where they're going, where they want to be
While this lost highway feels like it never ends and now can never be then again
You know you can't stay but you don't know how to leave

Chorus

But the stars are still glowing and the river's still flowing and the that breeze is still blowing and the kids are still growing
And those winds of change are just waiting for you to believe
That it'll get better, everything in its time and its place
It'll get better, with a little bit love and a little bit of grace
It'll get better, with a little bit of hope and a little faith
It'll get better, when you make some kind of peace with your mistakes
It'll get better

The endless night feels like it's never going to end and that peaceful sleep feels like a long gone friend
Seems like every day just slips away
Morning comes on a broken wing, to a broken world on a broken string
With all its regrets and debts that'll never be paid

Repeat Chorus

It's A Good Thing (Shane's Song)

Sleep little baby, lost in your dreams
Sleep little baby, now you know what it means
To start a new life, on your own
To start a new life, but you'll never be alone ...and

Chorus

It's a good thing, that you're here
Cause it's a good thing, to be near
The ones that you love, the ones that you want to hold
The ones who can make you warm, when you're feeling a little cold
It's a good thing

Rock little baby, rock in your dreams
Of faraway places, that you'll someday see
Of who you might be, in all the years that'll come and go
When the time's going so fast, don't ever forget that you know ...that

Repeat Chorus

Bridge

What do you see when you open your eyes
What do you feel when you breath those tiny sighs
Who are the tears for in the middle of the night
Don't cry child, everything's all right

Repeat Chorus

It's A Sunny Day

It's a sunny day, not a cloud in that bright blue sky
It's a sunny day, across this great divide
It's a sunny day, the water is warm yeah...
We might be worn and torn but we made it through the storm
...it's a sunny day

A long cold night, but now that sun is shining bright
A long cold night, I think we'll be alright
A long cold night, but now I can see that morning light
Black to white, the future is in sight
...it's a sunny day

Chorus

Leave it behind, all the trouble in your mind
Something you should have done, in another place another time
Something you didn't say, something you didn't do
Something you should have known, but you did your best you saw it through

Tomorrow is here and you're still here with me
Tomorrow is here, what will be will now be
Tomorrow is here, a brand new day a brand new song
One more reason to stay the course and stay strong
...it's a sunny day

Repeat Chorus

...now, leave it behind, all the trouble in your mind
Something you should have done, in another place another time
Something you didn't say, something you didn't do
Something you should have known, yeah you could have run but you saw it through ...it's a sunny day.....it's a sunny day...it's a sunny day
...it's a sunny day

It's Almost Time

Chorus

Almost over, almost done
The dark days are coming to an end
With a little bit of faith, and a whole lot of love
It's almost time to believe in tomorrow again

Achingly beautiful in the new morning dawn
The light that lights the way
Your tired eyes are smiling brave and strong
They say the future's almost here and it'll be OK

Repeat Chorus

The days are getting warmer, the nights aren't so cold
The morning birds sing their new day song
Coming to the end of a hard, dark road
The fear is fading now, it's almost gone

Repeat Chorus – 2X

It's Time

The warmest sun, the brightest star
The young years that would never end
Here, there and everywhere
Til forever became never again

The dreamtime places, the still innocent faces
Singing those wide open future songs
Here for now and forever
Till that morning light found them gone

Chorus

From the rainbow ride to the great divide
To the truth that won't let you go
The road that took you so far away
Will be the same road that lets you know
It's time to find your way back home

Round and round, the up and the down
Til you feel like you're back where you began
Just a small child in a great big world
Where there's so much you know you'll never understand

Repeat Chorus

...everything you've been, the sad things you've seen
The restless winds that still blow
The road that took you so far away
Will be the same road that lets you know
It's time to find your way back home
It's time to find your way back home
It's time...

It's Time To Go

Riding the video vibe on the edge of the inside of what used to be disguised on the other side of upside down

Making a devil's deal, chasing the surreal, where you don't have to touch, what you don't want to feel on a fantasy merry go round

Chorus

So many talking repeating media pundit prose

Driven by their algorithm and their echo chamber shows

Following the script, recycle recite, the emperor's new clothes

But there's nothing here that's going to heal my soul

And I know...

It's time to go

Riding the times, keeping ahead of falling behind, the blind leading the blind, telling everyone what they want to hear

The ego stroke is used, the narcissist seduced, distracted, confused and amused while history it disappears, and the future is closer than it appears, wrapped in a controlling fear

Repeat Chorus

It's Time We Took A Break

Time for a holiday, time for a rest
Time to let go of who's to blame and who's to bless
We been workin' so hard and the hours been so long
Pointing fingers at each other, who's right, who's wrong

Let's take a break, let's call it a day
A truce, an accord, a little time away
From these walls we've been building, they're getting so high
From this cold war that's heating up, this divide that's gettin' so wide

Chorus

We've been steamrollin' and railroadin' tightening up the screws
Poundin' crooked nails into what's left of me and you
Yeah, deconstructin' and reconstructin' what was said by who
It's time we took a break from all this work that we do

Let's go to that place we knew when we were young
That place where you and I, we'd dream as one
Let's take a holiday, we both need the rest
Let love figure out who's to blame and who's to bless ...cause

Repeat Chorus

...yeah it's time we took a break from all this work that we do

I've Got Some Love Inside Me Too

A wide eyed girl, in a wide open world
Waiting for tomorrow to come true
‘til you had to break free of some of those dreams that would never be
What you’d never see, what you’d never do
I had to let go of some of my dreams too

It felt so real, it felt so true
It felt so old, a love so new
Left you crying alone in the dark, with a broken heart
And now the broken pieces, they follow you
Well my heart got broken too

Chorus

So here we are with our stories and tales
Of who we’ve been and what we’ve been through
The smiles, the tears, the good and bad years
But the love it still lives inside of you
Well I’ve still got some love inside me too

When the bridges get burned, you can’t go back
When there’s nothing left, there’s nothing to lose
I know you’ll find your way, you always do
And that warm sun’ll shine again on you
The same one that’ll shine again on me too

Repeat Chorus

... I’ve still got some love inside me too

January Blue

In the dead of winter, under the street light, the snow blows through the night time sky
January cold, January dark, a January state of mind
Spring's months away, Christmas lights are gone, January goes on and on and on
The year's brand new but the sun can't break through
All these shades of January blue

Chorus

All the should've done, the should've been, can't let 'em go or go back again
I second guess everything I thought I knew
The slope that got slippier, right and wrong that got trickier
Black and white draped in a shade of gray excuse
Yeah, one more shade of January blue

Got my winter coat, my winter boots, they're old but they still keep me warm
As I walk through what's left of one more used to be, yeah one more January storm
Footprints in the snow, going, going, gone, nothing lasts, don't look back, just carry on
I'll walk this avenue 'til that sun breaks through
All these shades of January blue
... I'll walk this avenue 'til that sun breaks through
All these shades of January blue

Repeat Chorus

... yeah, one more shade of January blue
... walking through these January blues

Just A Song

A song for the weak who have to be strong
A song for the tired who have to carry on
A song for the lonely ones in the middle of a crowd
A song for the silence that's growing so loud

Chorus

A song for those still standing
Who never wanted to have to take a stand
A song for the undemanding
Who never wanted to have to draw that line in the sand
A song for the brave and the true
Who pray for the courage to do what they know they have to do
A song for the old in a world so new
Eyes wise with lines from the times that they've walked through

A song for the dreamer in a world that's got so real
A song for love's scars that only time will heal
A song for the strong who live with their fear
A song for the truth that no one wants to hear

Repeat Chorus

... a song for the mystifying mystery
The mystery that's you and me and everything we see
Yeah, a song for what was and what will be
All together in this mystifying mystery
Just a song...
Just a song...
Just a song...

Just Be Kind

A young springtime day
A summertime promise in the air
“Just be kind” I hear you say
“The future, it’s everywhere”

Some days are diamonds some days are just hard
Nobody rides for free
We’ve all got to make some kind of peace with our scars
With what we can’t change, and with what will be

Chorus

It gets more and more real with every turning of the wheel
What the frozen smile can’t conceal and what the years can’t heal
Between here and now and everywhere, it’s always there
On this side of a dream and the other side of a prayer
Your eyes tell the story, my words are all wrong
A bunch of stupid platitudes ‘bout breaking free and moving on
You see right through me but you still don’t turn away
“Just be kind” is all I hear you say

The twists and the turns they’ll turn you ‘round
As you become someone you don’t want to be
“This isn’t you” is my heart’s only sound
As I walk away from what I know I can never leave

Repeat Chorus

Just Cause Consent (Manufacturing Consent)

Just cause fever, sweeping the land
Just cause allegiance is sworn
Truth it dies, the world loves its lies
Another self-serving just cause is born

Just cause weapons, just cause wars
One might end but there's always more
New truths approved, dissent removed
Truth it lives and dies by the just cause sword

Chorus – Fable and fiction mixed with discontent
Manufacturing consent
Created and controlled a new, just cause bought and sold
Time and money well spent

Political pundit views, the fit to print news
All swimming in the right mind stream
Military and industry, moving in symmetry
The end justifies the means

Profit and fear, the heroes and villains appear
All in service of the beast
A just cause created, hostilities escalated
And the war machine gets greased

Repeat Chorus – 2X

...manufacturing consent

Just For Now

Just for a moment I'll let it all go
Just for this moment in time
All that ever was and all that'll never be
Just the here and the now with a peaceful mind
No hard promises, no worry, no fear
No sad memories, just sweet souvenirs
Just for now, no nevermore, no never-mind
Just for this moment in time

Just for now no regrets and unpayable debts
Just a forever, never-ending sky
Just for now no holding on to what I can't hold
Just the letting go of what was never mine
What I can't change and what'll never be the same
As the day to day goes round and round again
Just for a moment someway, somehow
It'll all be OK, just for now

Just for today there's just you and me and we'll find a way
To live with what we've known and what we've seen
The good and the bad, the beautiful and the sad
The what never was and what never should have been
And all the last times, there's more and more of them
Like the here and gone and the never again
No broken hearts, no broken smiles, no broken roads and ways
Just for now, just for today
...just for now, just for today

Just Like A Song

Jumping Jack Flash was a friend of mine
Somewhere in the radio, sounding so fine
Moving to the beat, where push comes to shove
Like some refugee, from the summer of love
Ziggy Stardust And The Spiders From Mars
Wrapped up in decadence and sonic guitars
Losing it all, that's the price you pay
And ten years later, no one knows your name

Chorus

Play me something I know, so I don't have to think
I got this head full of beer, my mind's like spilled ink
There's fights breaking out on every side of my chair
These people I'm with, they don't care
The music's just something that gets dragged around
When you get dressed up, you go downtown
The music's just something that means nothing 'round here
It's just some tunes from the ozone while you're drinking your beer
Hey, hey, hey

Making the scene, laughing at the absurd
Making clever little jokes out of clever little words
Urban camouflage suits, eight days a week
But now the Psycho Killer, well he looks like a geek
Well, my my, hey hey, what you say
Rock n Roll is here to stay
But it means nothing now, it's just something you did
When you were young and dumb, just another kid

Repeat Chorus

Last night I was lost, I couldn't make the leap
Between reality, my dreams and my sleep
I turned to you, you felt like a song
Makes someone so weak, feel so strong
Well you know what I mean, it's just one of those songs
Makes everything right when everything's wrong

Repeat Chorus

Just Me And You

The streetlights shine on these streets that have seen all the times
We sighed and tried to hold on to a hopeful heart
All the times we had, the good and the bad and the sad
Holding on through the night 'til the light broke free of the dark

Chorus

Yeah, those times are still here, they live in the tears you cry and the smile in your eyes
For the old, the new, the borrowed and the blue
For the miles ahead, the road beyond, the sometimes right and the sometimes wrong
And the end of the day when there's just me and you

Under the beauty of that morning sun, the same one that shone on everyone
And everything, we've known
I hold you close, I hold you tight, here between the wrong and the right
And the love that lets us know, we're home

Repeat Chorus

...for a memory, a moment, a picture, a card, all the souvenirs you hold in your hand and your heart, at the end of the day when there's just me and you

Just Want You To Feel What I Feel

Chorus

Just want you to feel what I/he/they feel
Just want you to know that it's real
Just want you to understand why
I'm still walking this bridge of sighs
Just want to you to know where I've been
Just want you to know what I've seen
Just want you to understand why
I see what I see when I close my eyes

The lost, the found, the sinners, the saved
All feel the same days, slipping away
The dreamers, the schemers, the wise man, the fool
All know how this old world can feel so cruel
Alone together, together alone
They're all trying to find, some way back home
The priest he kneels and he prays,
For all the lost souls, he couldn't save
He just wants you to...

Repeat Chorus

The wind it rides on the breeze,
The river runs to the sea
The sun, the moon, the stars in the sky
Everyday they take that celestial ride
A stranger becomes a friend
They ride along, sing your song and for a moment you think it won't end
Til you turn around and they're gone
And the road still goes on and on and on
They just want you to...

Repeat Chorus

Just You And Me

The morning bird sings his morning song
A brand new day, a brand new dawn
There's so many things to do, places to be
But just for this moment, there's just you and me

And everything that we've been through
Everything we've seen
Everything that we can't change
And everything that'll be

Chorus

The night time has come and gone
The future lies in the great beyond
But right now we're where we belong
While the morning bird sings his song

Through life's, shape shifting seasons
And all the new that soon grows old
The forever goodbyes and the silent sighs
On this road that takes us home

The sun it shines, the day begins
The morning bird sings his song again
One more anniversary
And just for this moment there's just you and me

Chorus

The night time has come and gone
The future lies in the great beyond
But right now we're where we belong
While the morning bird sings his song

Karaoke Land

Waiting on tomorrow, Bidin' his time
Some day, the world's gonna see, he's one, of a kind
Waiting on tomorrow, for his pop star dream
A karaoke king waiting for his, karaoke queen

Chorus

Welcome to, Karaoke Land
Listen to the, Karaoke Band
Pick your, favourite Pop Star Brand
Here in, Karaoke Land

Waiting on tomorrow, she just needs a break
She's gonna show them at the, karaoke sweepstakes
Waiting on tomorrow, she's the best
Just like all the others at the, karaoke fest

Repeat Chorus

Waiting on tomorrow, the clock's keeping score
One in a million, just like a million more
Waiting on tomorrow, celebra-tease
Brought to you by our sponsors and the taste makin' hype machine

Repeat Chorus

Keep The Car Running

Keep the car running, it's got cold outside
It's warm in here with you, I'm OK to drive
This old road's still wide open underneath that twilight sky

Keep the car running, leave the headlights low
There's not much here we want to see or need to know
We made peace with our memory a long time ago

Chorus

Keep the car running, it'll be OK
Tomorrow's going to be, a brand new day
We might get lost but we always find a way back home
Keep the car running, it'll be alright
Off in the distance, I can still see the light
It flickers, it dims, but it burns bright over the love we've known

Keep the car running, I know this place
Before all the crossed lines and the fall from grace
Showed up in our tired eyes and the lines across our face

Keep the car running, I'm OK to drive
Down this highway of sighs half lies and goodbyes
This old road's still wide open underneath that ever-changing sky

Repeat Chorus

Keeping Ahead Of Nevermore And Never Again

Heard a soft knock on the door
It's the old man again
I recognize him, I see him sometimes in my mirror
Riding time's wheel as now becomes then
Keeping ahead of nevermore and never again

The kids sing their songs, they play their games
That old man asks, "Can I join in?"
He knows the last note's going to be sung and that game ending siren's going to sound
He doesn't know when but until then
He's keeping ahead of nevermore and never again

Bridge

Sometimes it hurts, an old man's aches and pains
Or when an old man's memory plays some repeating refrain
Long gone times, long lost friends
He carries them with him as now becomes then
While he's keeping ahead of nevermore and never again

From the morning dawn, to an evening prayer
The future's still here, it's everywhere
Under that endless sky, in the whispering wind
There's still so much to do, one thing ends, another begins
While he's keeping ahead of nevermore and never again

... keeping ahead of nevermore and never again

Labour Day

Labour day, summer's almost gone
A few straglers walking along
An empty beach where sandcastles reigned
Summer love, teenage music played

Labour day, summer bands shutting down
Packing up, heading back into town
Every tune they played was one more that we knew
One more summer song that reminded me of you

Chorus

The water keeps flowing under the bridge
The waves keep searching for a shore
Some things they'll never change at all, like you won't
Be coming home anymore

September song, fall's in the air
Sky is gray, one lonely beach chair
Labour day, a beginning and an end
Labour day, it's time to start again

Repeat Chorus-2X

...no, you won't be coming home anymore

Last Day At The Beach

The water's getting darker, the air's getting cold
Those summer days are slipping away, it's almost time to go
Gathering up and packing, those summertime dreams
The pictures and the promises, summertime memories

Of young summer love, warm summer nights
Firelight on the water it burned so bright
Disappearing, almost out of reach
Almost gone like the last day at the beach

Chorus

Silent words, silent sounds
Everyone's gone from this summertime town
Empty echoes, empty streets
Just you and me here all alone on this last day at the beach

The waves wash away the castles made of sand
Somehow we're here so far away from where we began
Fading summer songs, so sad, so sweet
Just you and me here all alone on this last day at the beach

Repeat Chorus

...just you and me here all alone

Last Exit

Chorus

It's my time to leave but before i go, I will show you these things that in your heart you already know, that you already know, that you already know

First there is love, and it touches all that you do, it will make you a king and it will crucify you too
Love it can change the world and the way that the world is seen and until its gone love never knows how deep it's been

Pain is the road that leads to understanding, it's the price you must pay for knowledge is demanding
Your heart keeps in silence all the secrets of your mind and each one of us is alone in the wisdom that he finds

Joy is your sorrow unmasked and brought to light and sorrow is your weeping for what once was your delight

You are suspended on a scale between the two, they are both a part of everything you do

Repeat Chorus

Beware the lust for comfort for it will smother your fire, it murders your passion and makes a puppet of your desire

Sometimes we dance together but in the end we must walk alone and another man's life, no one can ever own

All that you have will one day be gone, so give it away now, for to give is to belong

To the season of joy, the pace of this earth, the things that you give away will determine your final worth
We might be measured but we can never be truly known and time is both the memories and the dreams that we've been shown

Evil is what once was good distorted by the fire that's been fueled and burned in hunger and desire

Repeat Chorus

You will find beauty in everything that you think you need and you can rise no higher or fall lower than your deeds

And God is not a riddle known only to wise men, you can find him in your midst in the eyes of your children

And wisdom can't be given it must always be earned, the truth can't be taught, no everyday it must be learned

And death lives in life, in all that we've done, life and death are part of the same like the river and the sea are one

So don't grieve for me as I leave to ride upon the wind, I will see you someday soon, for nothing ever ends

Everything will be revealed in its own time, the wherefore and the why, the reason for the rhyme

Repeat Chorus

(Based on quotes from Khalil Gibran)

Last Night On TV

Last night on TV, I had the privilege of seeing
A situation comedy that laughed back at me
The antics of the actors were meant to reflect my own
But I'm sorry, I've never had a laugh track in my home

Later came the talk show with a smiling man
Who nods his head at everything as if he understands
Everyone he talked to seemed to be an old friend
Complete with humourous anecdotes and “let’s do it again”

Chorus

Oh I sit in front of my screen, I catch all the scenes, the important happenings
Not much to say, not much to do, there’s nothing for me to contribute
To the higher order of things in New York or LA
Where they have fun both at work and at play
Where they create these contributions to our culture
While we sit in these armchairs and we wait for the answer
I don’t know anymore, I’m not sure anymore, what I feel anymore, I don’t know

Someday I’ll find my way
And drive back to a time, when I understood the signs
My friends they agree, but it’s so hard to leave
Or is that just some notion that we’ve picked up from TV

Repeat Chorus

... I don’t know anymore, I’m not sure anymore, what I feel anymore, I don’t know

Last Road Home

The years leave their mark on both of our hearts, the days fall away like leaves from a tree

There's hard times we've known, on this hard road back home, but it's love that lives, in our memory

Shining a light in the afterglow, all is forgiven, on the last road home

Close your eyes, let it all go, let it all ride, it gets so quiet after the storm
Say goodnight, we're still alright, alone together, keeping warm

A little less, a little more, a little love, opens the door

Running on faith, through the great unknown, running on love, the last road home

Last Song

This is the last song, this is the last song
There's nothing more to say, there's nothing more to say

Cause it's a new dawn, yeah, it's a new dawn
In the morning I'll be gone, in the morning I'll be gone

I'll say a prayer for you, I'll say a prayer for you
That strength and peace and love and truth, will find you
That strength and peace and love and truth, will carry you

This is the last time, this is the last time
There's nothing more to say, there's nothing more to say

I don't know, I don't know, I don't know, I don't know
I wish I did, I wish I did, I wish I did, but I don't know

Last Time I Saw You

Last time I saw you I wanted to kiss you
I wanted to hold you in my arms
I wanted to tell you every secret that I know
I wanted to understand your charms
I wanted to be the one to tell you
Everything's going to be all right
I wanted to be the last one to tell you
Goodnight

Last night in my dreams I was with you
You understood me with your eyes
And every secret I had hidden away
You found them all but it was alright
You took me with you to the places
That no one else will ever see
And nothing else mattered anymore
Just you and me

Try to find the line between my life and my dreams
Keeps slipping in and out of view
Try to get a line on someone that I love
Try to get a line on you
But dreams disappear when you touch them
And there's nothing that no one can do
So I'll just wait for the dance to be over
And I'll say goodnight
And I'll kiss you

Laugh Again

We danced on the edge, we played with the fire
Free as a bird, like a bird on a wire
If nothing ever changes, why's the future so unknown
I never saw it coming, now this bird has flown

Mad or wise, or just an echo in the mind
Time changes everything, but nothing changes time
The big inertia can turn you to stone
Don't look back, a memory's just a loan

Chorus

Once I could make you laugh, now all I do is bring you down
Once I could make you smile now all I do is spin you 'round
Once I could find your soul, now I think I'm losing my way
Once we could talk all night, now there's nothing to say

You win you lose, the years take their toll
You pay the price, you play out your role
For a moment there, our worlds became one
That moment still exists in time, it can't be undone

Chorus

I'm gonna make you laugh again, I won't let you down
I'll make you smile, we'll dance 'round the town
And I'll touch your soul again, and we'll both find our way
Yeah, we'll talk all night, it won't matter what we say

Leaving For The Last Time

I know this road
I know this nighttime sky
The radio plays while the signal fades
On this goodbye ride

Leaving for the last time
One more time again
The heart it knows when it's time to let go
Of a love it thought would never end

Chorus

Now/Cause it's/I'm somewhere in between
Where it's/I'm going and where it's/I've been
What it/I doesn't/don't want to know and what it's/I've seen
And heard whispered, in a dream

I've done this before
Maybe a time or two
An old love song comes on I try to sing along
But I can't find the tune

Leaving for the last time
And one more time I'll pretend
That the heart won't ache when it tries to break
Free of a love it thought would never end

Repeat Chorus – 2X – 2nd time - I'm

...whispered, in a dream

Left Behind Love

The unspoken words I still hear everyday
Bout all the times we got lost but we always found our way
And all the long gone reasons, the why and the wherefore
The ones that aren't here anymore

The smiling faces, the laughing eyes, the future that was coming soon
We always knew that bell was going to toll but we didn't know yet for whom
We stumbled but we still believed in forevermore
Til forever didn't live here anymore

Chorus

I got the news, everything's going to change
Don't look back that's what they always say
But there's still so much following me on what's left of this old road
And there's still so much I know I'll never know while I'm waiting here alone
With all this left behind love that's got nowhere left to go

The frozen smile, the mirror and the miles, they tell me I've changed
But I know my soul is still the same
It lives in the here and the now and with all that came before
And with all that isn't here anymore

Repeat Chorus

Let It All Go

Sad but beautiful, hanging on to the eternal now
So full of fear still you press on anyway, anyhow
Hey, when I looked at you I thought I saw you smile
Hey, it's going to be OK, why don't you stay for a while

You, you're broken but you press on, you play through the pain
Sometimes there's no choice, a price must be paid, you learn to live with the rain

But hey, it's a perfect day, I thought I saw you smile
Hey, it's going to be OK, why don't you stay for a while

Beautiful but sad, the good and the bad
When you know that you've been had, you just let it all go
The present trumps the past, nothing ever lasts
The time goes by so fast you just let it all go

Hey, when I looked at you I thought I saw you smile
Hey, it's going to be OK, why don't you stay for a while

Out on the edge you make so many wrong turns 'til you learn who you are
Just one more hopeful heart on an empty street under a faraway star
Hey, when you walked by the mirror I thought I saw you smile
Hey, it's going to be OK, why don't you stay for a while

The truth and the lies, the discouraged, the despised
The wise but tired eyes, you just let it all go
The beginning of the end, a last memory, a lost friend
The same mistakes again, again and again

But hey, when I looked at you I thought I saw you smile

Let Love Back

I got lost, for awhile, I thought the party, would never end
Wrong way, wrong turn, down the wrong, road again
When you take what you want, time will make you pay, a free ride always has its price
Good time friends long gone, good times gone so wrong, now the memories aren't so nice

But you waited for me, to come back home, You waited for me to come around
Lost and found, safe and sound, I'm here with you, I'm alright now
Letting go, moving on, starting over, making time
Control Alt Delete, Reset, Restart, Rewind

I been thinking, long and hard, I can't make up my mind
Was I, out of luck, or out of step, Out of my mind or out of time
It doesn't matter, anymore, the days of certainty are gone
But I'm OK, if you're with me, And we let love back in this world we got so wrong

Let's Just Say...

Let's just say the fighting's over, let's just let's just say nobody wins
Let's just say what's done is done, the past is gone with the wind
Let's just say that tomorrow, together we'll find our way
Lost and found, safe and sound, Let's just say...

Chorus

That we'll, give peace a chance, Lennon's lunatic dance, [that 1969 Montreal hotel chant], not so crazy after all these years
...of war machines, oil greed schemes, mind game times and mind game fears, where it's...
...hype it up, dumb it down, the non-stop news goes round, bought and sold by the big money media feed
From east to west, from my right to your left, Johnny's still singing love is all you need ...and it still works for me

Let's just say we're sorry, and let's just say that we still care
Let's just say we each want what we want, but there's so many dreams that we still share
Let's just say that we're different, but somehow so much the same
We can work it out, someday, someway ...let's just say

Repeat Chorus

...it still works for me
...let's just say the fighting's over...

Lines On His Face

The lines on his face, they came with the days
And the hard times that sometimes he still sees
The journey, the road, what was paid and what he owed
And a memory that won't let him be

Chorus 1

But the good times are there too, the songs that he sang
The fare thee well and the coming home again
And all the pretty girls with their wistful, waiting eyes
Old folks, so wise and old friends

The months, the days, the tears and the fears
The missteps, the mistakes and the fall from grace
The broken times, the love he lost that he could never find
They live behind those lines on his face

Chorus 2

But the laughing eyes are there too, the future that would never end
The reasons to believe before now became then
And after it's all said and done, he's made peace with that setting sun
And those lines on his face that trace where he's been

Repeat Chorus 1

...the good times he's known...
...the good and hard time songs
the right and the wrong
behind those lines they live on
gone but never gone

Little Failures

Things get taken away
One little failure at a time
A stumble a fall, a name you can't recall
Time moves forward and you fall behind

The staff here are young and they do what they can
But what you've seen and where you've been, they'll never understand
They watch your behaviour, they track your little failures
They make their notes and their plans for an old man

Chorus

The little failures, the little signs
A little out of step but you never were any good at staying in line
A little confusion, a little fall
A little slip, a little mistake, they keep track of them all
And those little failures they add up over time
...little failures

A few old faces you recognize
You see them in the hallway at suppertime
Shirt untucked, hair not combed, don't want to talk, rather be alone
You see your little failures reflected in their eyes

Repeat Chorus

Long Shadows

The shadows are long, and the shadows know
What, happened, a long time ago
They walk with you, ‘neath the sun, the moon, the stars
They always find you wherever you are
...shadows, long shadows

You see them in the mirror, in the far away eyes
Like a stranger ‘cross the room that you recognize
You see them in your dreams, in the middle of the night
And you know that they’ll still be there, when you turn on the light
...shadows, long shadows

Chorus

Angry words, that can’t be unheard
A gift from the devil, that can’t be returned
Into a mystery, out of the blue
All the knowledge of good and evil, you wish you never knew
...shadows, long shadows

Some wrong road, some wrong turn
Some lesson you wish, you never had to learn
Something you lost, some secret you found
Someone whose hands once held you up that you let down
...shadows, long shadows

Repeat Chorus

...shadows

Looking For Some Grace

I'm not looking for heroes
Or a road back to some long gone home
I'm not looking for excuses
I'm not afraid to be alone

I'm not looking to try again
I'm not looking to change what I can't
I'm not looking for easy answers
To hard questions I'll never understand

Chorus-1

I'm just looking for some grace
A humble heart and a forgiving soul
A little bit of kindness, some patience and peace
And the strength to let go of what I know I can't hold

I'm not looking to run from the wrong turns
I'm not looking for someone to blame
I'm not looking to run from who I've become
Cause I know he'll be there when I turn around again

Chorus-2

I'm just looking for some grace
And the understanding of a forgiving soul
A little bit of kindness, some patience and peace
And the strength to let go of what I know I'll *never* hold

Looking For The Magic

I don't think you knew it but I was looking at you
Every time you flashed your smile, every time you wore something new
All the times you tried so hard and all the times you didn't care
I don't think you knew it but I was always there

Every scene I played you know, I played for you
A dose of the reckless, a touch of hard luck, wrapped in blue
Were those the signals I was sending, well none of them were true
It's just the way I act when I don't know what to do

Chorus

C'mon, c'mon, what is this game
I care, you care, we feel the same
It's true I know, I know it's true
Were looking for the magic makes one out of two
The kind that made me and you

Out of touch, out of time, out of step, falling behind
Searching for a way back to the shore
Up and down, round and round, lost and found on time's merry go round
But my eyes they always find yours

Repeat Chorus

Lord & Master

I'll say goodnight to my wife, lightly tread down creakin' stairs
I'll go to the couch, park my ass just sit and stare

At some dumb late night movie that my wife just couldn't stand
Then I'll go to the fridge eat some cold leftover ham

The dog's eyes stare at me saying master you're the man
But he's not fooling me, what he wants is some of that ham

Then I'll think of some more lines I can add to this here song
So I get out my guitar, another hour's gone

Chorus

And the time keeps on ticking, the morning's coming on
And I better get some sleep, or I'll wake up my brain'll be gone
My wife she thinks I'm crazy, My sleep debt is insane
But the guitar fridge and TV, I hear them calling my name

I fall asleep for half an hour, that couch is feeling fine
But I miss the end of the movie, gotta get up hit rewind

Morning comes, I feel bad, I'm sure movng slow
Look like the guy in my passport, you don't want to know

Repeat Chorus

Love Finds A Way

Springtime, sunshine, so fine, sweet summer wine
A million stars in the sky, a million reasons to try in your eyes
Lookin' forward to tomorrow, what it's going to bring, a kind of peace with what
we've seen and who we've been
Believin' in better til it shines so bright, and we can carry that light, into the night

Chorus

Where the dreams of the lost become the dreams of the found
The uncertain man he finds solid ground
The different find the different and the night finds the day
The unforgiven are forgiven, ...and love finds a way...

Warm days, we're OK, nobody's leavin' no one's going away
These old streets have become our home, and these old street lights have shone
down on the love we've known
We sing for the moment, the day and the year, for the good times to come and the
tears that disappeared
But we'll sing no swan song for the loved ones long gone, 'cause they still live in
our memories, on and on

Repeat Chorus

...yeah, love finds a way

Love Grows Wise

Transistor radio, under my pillow
I would listen, all through the night
I used to wonder, how'd they capture that emotion
How'd they make that magic, feel so right

The words were vague, the notes were easy
The song was simple but the feeling was new
Like an escape, or a dreamer's obsession
Like a quiet secret, between me and you

Chorus - 1

It felt so good, it carried us away
Time was gone, when the music played
Now here we are, on our own
Love grows wise as innocence fades

The strings were magic, so was the time
Anyhow, anyway, anywhere we wanted to go
A darkened street, a rainy night
We didn't care we'd just go with the flow

The minstrel came, with music in his hands
Listen to the rhythm, listen to the rhyme
Don't you worry, 'cause we'll laugh again
You were never misled, you know I loved you all of the time

Chorus – 2

It felt so good, it carried us away
Time was gone when the music played
Now here we are, on our own
But love grows wise, as innocence fades
Yeah, love grows wise as innocence fades

Love Light Shine

It's time for me to leave, hope your coming too
No I don't have much to give you, I got nothing new
Just this old heart, maybe this old soul
Maybe this old dream, I know I'll never let it go

Yeah your memories can haunt you, that's the toll you'll pay for the road you chose
Once I loved that story, but that book's closed that's the way it goes
Maybe your memories will save you, don't ever let them go
In the stillness of the evening, how they'll ever flood your soul

Chorus

There's a light waiting for us, to guide us through this timeless time
I think I found the way back home, gonna let my love light shine

My work is almost done here, I've already left, I just haven't gone
Kicking down the doors of fear, they've been closed way to long
Do you remember, when the future was our friend
You thought those times were gone, but they're coming back again

Repeat Chorus

...Wipin' the dust off this old dream, singing our song, playing in time
I think we found the way back home, gonna let our love light shine

Love Will Take Us Home

A heart, a soul, a touch so true, all the love I ever knew
Is all I'll want at the end of all I've known
And all the ways that time brought us here, through the joy and sorrow, the long
gone years
Time will take its' toll but it's love that will take us home

The first times they've come and gone, the last times will come along
The seasons change and those cold winds are gonna blow
Through the in-between, the round and round, the flying high, the up and down
Time will take its' toll but it's love that will take us home

Chorus

From the first look, the first touch, side by side through so much
Diamonds in the rough on the wrong side of the road
Mistakes were made but you can't go back, you kick off that dirt, get back on that
track
Time will take its' toll but it's love that will take us home

The clock on the wall says it's the end of the day, we both know what we don't
have to say
That young summer sun has turned to winter snow
I hold your hand, I hold it tight, I thank you again and kiss you goodnight
Time will take its' toll but it's love that will take us home

Repeat Chorus

...mistakes were made but you can't go back, you forgive yourself, get back on
that track
Time will take its' toll but it's love that will take us home
...time will take its' toll but it's love that will take us home

Love Wouldn't Let Us Go

The first time, the second chance, the last time, the last dance
That winter wind, it's going to blow
Turn our collars high, turn our faces to meet that winter sky
Wait for the sound of the silent snow

The first times have come and gone, the last times they'll come along
The days are getting old but every morning's still new
Seasons change, you gotta let go, you can't hang on to what you can't hold
You might've paid the piper but it's time that's going to call the tune

Chorus

One more time turn the page, one more time try to find a way
To make some kind of peace with what we know
The joy, the tears, the long gone years, all the ways that love brought us here
And all the ways that love would never let us go
...love wouldn't let us go

Bridge

You can take a look but you can't go back, you can re-write it but you can't change the past
You can almost touch it till you try and it disappears
You can close the door on what you don't want to know, what you don't want to see, where you don't want to go
But those long gone ghosts they never left, they're still here

Driving down this road at night, just me and you and these headlights
And a twilight memory of all we've been through
Alone together at the end of the day, there's so much we don't have to say
Just close your eyes, we'll be home soon

Repeat Chorus

Love's Forever Flow

Love finds its way through the day to day
The seasons turn, the lessons are learned, and the prayers get prayed
Winter is coming, you feel it in the air
The late autumn breeze, the falling leaves
It's everywhere

Chorus

But/And the sun it still shines, on these streets where the years have made us a home
Where our children have grown, now they're gone living lives of their own
The years have come and gone, time goes on and on, we learn again what we've always known
All the might have beens and the never agains, you got to let them go
Yeah, you do what you can but it's not in your hands, nobody knows which way that wind is going to blow
Through the here and the now, the long ago, the days to come
And love's forever flow

Here I am again, waiting with you
Ah, you look so fine, your eyes still so kind, after all we've been through
Winter is coming, the young days are gone
But love still finds its way through the day to day
And brings us back to where we belong

Repeat Chorus

...Love's forever flow
...Love's forever glow

Love's Last Moment

The evening bells rang and the night birds sang
And for a moment there was only the now
They became who they were, when their love ruled their world
They spoke without making a sound

A gentle reprieve for a fading love in need
At the end of another troubled day
But the tender heartbeat passed, they couldn't get it back
And love's last moment just slipped away

Chorus

Now/Cause there's so much water under the bridge
And so much time has gone by
Who was right and who was wrong and who left who when the love was gone
Who moved on and who got left behind
Living in the shadow of a lost love and time

He walks downtown, he wanders around
The empty streets, the shuttered stores
If he ran into her they'd both act like they never were
Maybe nod Hello, nothing more

Repeat Chorus

Their love's last moment is so far away
And he's the only one, on this cold lonely street
He heads home alone, tries to find some warmth in the TV's glow
Watches the news, goes to sleep

Maintaining Character

One last look in the mirror
He wonders who he'll be today
A man with a mission, a man with a purpose
Or a man with nothing to say

He surveys the mood and gets the lay of the land
He puts on his face the one that fits with the room
Watches for signals and signs, adjusts til the tuning is fine
Socially sanctioned and approved

Chorus

Maintaining character, in the spaces between the lines
Living in the land of the beguiled
Sometimes he can't find himself but he knows he's in there somewhere
Between his disguised eyes and his frozen smile

Always a few steps removed
From who he is and who he is now
He plays his part, makes his remarks
And stays ahead of the shadows of doubt

Repeat Chorus

...Sometimes he can't find himself but he knows he's in there somewhere
Between his disguised eyes and his frozen smile

Man On A Commuter Train

I ride the train home from work each day
Another day in, another day out
I stay the course, I don't wander I don't stray
Cause I know too well what temptations all about

I'm warm and dry when it's raining outside
The lights come on, evening falls
I'll be home soon, another day, another train ride
The night life tempts but my family calls

Chorus

Here between what I've seen and what I've been
Here in this crowd all alone
Tomorrow's memories and yesterday's dreams
Just a man on a commuter train, going home

I do my job, bring my paycheck home
Daily cares and affairs, I've got mouths to feed
I'm tired but I still smile, it's all worthwhile
When I walk in the door and my children run to me

Repeat Chorus

...just a man on a commuter train, going home

Marianne Faithful

Marianne Faithful, alone in the center of the crowd
Why were you so quiet, while the music, and the ghosts grew so loud
The forbidden, was written, in your eyes
While the truth, lay beneath, your disguise
Whoa...

Marianne Faithful, the black and the white turn to gray
While the wasted hours, count the years, we all, threw away
Some wait, for their time, some wait for their call
While some, they wait, for nothing at all
Whoa...

Marianne Faithful, your someone, i sometimes, recognize
Falling from grace, while the years, and the tears, go by
With a voice, and a name, so true
Until Broken English, became you
Whoa...Marianne Faithful

Martyr's Prophecy

The snows piled high outside the door
I don't want to go out anymore
The weatherman says it's here to stay
Cold and colder for so many more days
You look to me for the reason's why
When I got no answers you just sigh
So I let you down one more time
Can't explain the reasons, can't remember the rhymes

Chorus

The years fly by at the speed of life
Time can make you a stranger
The seductress calls, the temple falls
To money lenders and money changers
It's sad to want, what you despise
While you burn with the fear of failure
Present and past, the first becomes last
Time the great rearranger

We keep looking for something new,
But nothing really changes just our point of view
We keep moving cause we can't stand still
If the future don't get you well your memory will
Something's lost but something's gained
We might be wounded but we play through the pain
And my spirits still tangled up with yours
So I don't need anything more

Chorus

The years fly by at the speed of life
Time can make you a stranger
Present and past, the first becomes last
Time the great rearranger

...The years fly by at the speed of life

Masquerade

I know where the line is
I know what I've been told
I know what my price is
And I know how far I can go

I'm afraid to look too close
I'm getting too good at getting by
The promise of youth got broken
Floating on a sea of compromise

Chorus

I make the doubt disappear
I wipe the fear from my eyes
I don't look in the mirror
I might fall for my disguise

I make my truth fit the times
I get along, I get ahead
I make my mind, the right kind
While my heart and soul, hang by a thread

Repeat Chorus – 2X

... I might fall for my disguise

Mastered

Hey, take what you want, Hey, take what you need
Hey, this is the real thing, Hey, feed your greed...Hey...Hey

Wait, take one more thing, Wait, here's the brass ring
Wait, the show's not over, Wait, you can still sink a little lower...Wait...Wait

Yeah, you did it your way, Yeah, your feeling OK
Yeah, you thought you got away, Yeah, but now it's time to pay

...And you will be mastered
By your lies, by your disguise

You will be mastered, by the words you fear
Or by your lust, or what you want to hear

You will be mastered, by the things you own
Or your desire, or the seeds you've sown

You will be mastered, by the devil
Or by the law, or by God ...But you will be mastered

Gone, you had your minute, Gone, take your story and spin it
Gone, you had your chance, Gone, now someone else wants to dance
...Gone...Gone...Gone

Mea Culpa

First came the rhythm, then came the beat
Stir in some passion, generate some heat
Driving forward in the fast lane
Things started to feel just a little insane

She didn't know, she didn't know what she was talking about
The less she understood, the less she had to deal with doubt
Her life was sweet, before the fall
But she lost everything when she tried to take it all

Chorus

Sometimes some things, seem so necessary
After a while her secret sin seemed ordinary
Everyone stumbles, searching for their creed
You live and you learn, wisdom isn't guaranteed

The shock treatment blew a hole right through her brain
She'd say the same thing over and over again
Mea culpa, mea culpa, is that what you want to hear
Mea maxima culpa, how do I get out of here

Repeat Chorus

Memory Lane

The beautiful wave it crested, and rode its requiem
And washed up on the beach where we thought summer would never end
But the water was getting cold and the warmth was getting hard to hold
Ah, we saw it coming, we'd have to go, nothing left but the afterglow and...

Chorus

All the love that got left behind and lives on memory lane
You might visit it sometime but you know you can't stay
That rose coloured glow shines its light on all those years
But if you try to touch them, they'll disappear

You ride time's waves through the months, the days, the wounds that won't heal
and the debts that can't be paid
The good times come, you try to keep them near but you know they'll slip away
like the disappearing years and
Something someone used to do or say, a smile, a touch, a kiss that made everything
OK
But nothing lasts, nothing stays, like that warm young summer and that beautiful
cresting wave

Repeat Chorus

...Like all the lost loved ones who live down on memory lane
You might visit them sometime but you know you can't stay
That rose coloured glow shines its light on all the shared years
But if you try to touch them, they'll disappear

...The beautiful wave it crested and rode its requiem
And washed up on the beach where we thought summer would never end

Merci Beaucoup

What's the matter with me, I got nothing to say
Just lie in the sun, soaking up the rays
Seems like everybody, is getting savoir faire
I'm still riding, on a wing and a prayer

Here's a little problem, I haven't figured out
What are we gonna do with all this, sauerkraut

What's the matter with me, I don't want to think
Just lying around, listening to the Kinks
You Really Got Me babe on this Sunny Afternoon
Crooning this song, rhyming moon with June

Here's a little secret, a cure for your ennui
Try getting closer to that bumblebee

What's the matter with me, I got no advice
You burn your bridges, you pay your price
Someone to love, something to dream, something to do
That's all I want, merci beaucoup

You know that little problem, I think I figured it out
If you buy some bratwurst baby, we'll eat that sauerkraut

Mercy In Grace

Chorus

The grace of despair, leading us to prayer
The grace of the push and the shove, leading us to the God of love

You carry the things that you've done, the things that you've seen
You run from the things you've become, the things you used to dream
Unforgiven, no one left to blame, tired eyes out of time out of place
Lose your life, a child reclaimed, when the unworthy find mercy in grace

Repeat Chorus

Now it's time to pay for the ride, the worthless idol just spun you round
Riding the waves in and out with the tide, the cliché's were all hand-me-down
But reality is reckless, reasons and rhymes they get misplaced
Still your proud you wear your chains like a necklace, till the unworthy find mercy
in grace

Repeat Chorus

...the grace of regret, reminding us of our debt
the grace of loss, leading us to the cross

Missing Persons

Missing persons call to me from my past
Whispered promises, innocent lies, never meant to last
Smiling faces, laughing eyes, that fade too fast
Missing persons call to me from my past

Summer beaches, summer dreams, summer girls
Taking chances with their boys in a love lost world
Missing persons call to me from my past
Whispered promises, innocent lies, never meant to last

Chorus

I can see you, playing on the beach
You're with some boy but he's just out of reach
I know you both from somewhere lost in another time
I turn away, you can't look too long or you'll lose your mind

I was driving down that long dark road
I was listening to this faceless radio
This voice was telling me about this past I never had
They'll never know, they'll never understand

About your smile, about your eyes what they could do
About your plans, about your dreams for me and you
Missing persons call to me from my past
Whispered promises, innocent lies, never meant to last

Repeat chorus

Missing You

Out of time and out of tune, out of step, missing you
Here with all the noise that makes the day to day, all these toys that keep my mind
at bay, they say...
Step right up, get on the ride, distraction guaranteed 'til it collides
With that wistful wind, that fading dream, that memory of you that keeps me stuck
inside the in-between
I'm missing you, Yeah missing you

Now there's not much left of my vanity, the only pride I ever had was when you
believed in me
I feel like I feel like I don't care anymore, everything is either a chore or a bore
I'm missing you, Yeah missing you

... Missing you, I'm missing you, Yeah, missing you

Bridge

Everything has shifted, everything's changed, everything is different, but it's all
the same
I keep my head down, I walk in the rain, round and round this town, again and
again
I'm missing you, Yeah, missing you

I know you can't go back but it's so hard to break free of everything I thought I
wanted, everything I thought I'd need
They say everything you've ever known is written in your soul, but when I look
there, you is all I see and what you left here with me
I'm missing you, Yeah missing you
... Missing you, I'm missing you, Yeah, missing you

Mistakes

Things aren't as simple as they first appear, and the world will tell you when you're where you don't belong

You'll stumble and you'll struggle and you'll live with the fear 'til the time it comes and you know it's time for you to be gone

Like the beauty queen who was never seen without her mannequin smile and her crown

In her limousine, a perfect figurine, 'til her heart ripped through her lie and tore her satin gown

Chorus

You get tired but you get wise, grace shines through your wounded eyes, your mistakes make you humble and strong

When you move past the lies, past the darkest part of your disguise to the place where you're makin' right out of the wrong

And you forgive yourself, let go and carry on

He thought he knew what he wanted 'til his heart became haunted by the conscious in his mind that weighed his deeds

All the money in the land couldn't stop his shaking hands from getting burned by the wages of his greed

Now he searches for the good in the lost and misunderstood 'cause he knows how fast the high can take you down

He waits for the light in the deepest, darkest night 'cause he knows a new morning's coming around

Repeat Chorus – 2X

Things aren't as simple as they first appear, people stumble, they struggle and they fight

Then they whisper words of love in each other's ear and they hold each other close through the night...

Monday Morning Blues

Monday morning blues never hit me that hard
Cause I knew last night's music hadn't gone far
And everything I wanted was as close as you
I couldn't help but win cause I had nothing to lose

I knew every story I wanted to believe
The truth it glared for any fool to see
And anyone could do it, it was easy to be
One of a million people who just wanted to be free

Chorus

But last time I saw you you just weren't the same
I don't know who it was but one of us had changed
And even if I try you know I still feel like I'm lying
When I turn to you and say
It's alright

Anyway I turn now it's all the same
Be careful where you stand you might lose your name
When last night's joy becomes yesterday's laugh
Don't take it too hard, it happens so fast

Repeat Chorus

Mystic Magic (For Tom Petty)

Darkness falls, the headlights shine, I follow that thin white line
The day's coming to an end
I'm still on this road, I got a long, long way to go
Just me the dark and this dashboard again

Talk, talk, talk on the radio, it's getting tired, it's getting old
I change the station, I turn the dial
Flip around 'til the static's gone, Tom Petty's voice coming on strong
Three minutes of mystic magic for the next three miles

Chorus

The song surrounds, the here and the now, with a moment from a long gone
yesterday
The sound goes round and a piece of what was lost gets found and the years, they
slip away
Into the great wide open, time's chains get broken, free falling, learning to fly
Running down a dream, you don't have to live like a refugee, even the losers get
lucky sometime

You can move on but you'll never break free of who you once wanted to be
What you used to know and those dreams that were yours to hold
Tom Petty might be gone but his song lives on, the last DJ coming on strong
Three minutes of mystic magic on this old road

Chorus

The song surrounds, the here and the now, with a moment from a long gone
yesterday
The sound goes round and a piece of what was lost gets found and the years, they
slip away
Into the great wide open, time's chains get broken, free falling, learning to fly

Mystical Gravity

The longer he's here, the more he feels alone
A stranger from another time and place
And the ones already gone are calling him home
Sometimes he hears a voice, he sees a face

So many winds have blown, so many roads he's known
So many who travelled with him have gone on ahead
One gone, then another, another and another
Not much left, just the shadows of silhouettes

Chorus

Living in a land of never again that was never going to end
A land that only he can see
Wandering through the traces of faces and places
Waiting for time to set him free

Feels like some kind of mystical gravity
Drawing his soul to the great beyond
The more the ones he's known, have gone on and left him here alone
The more he feels like it's there where he belongs

Repeat Chorus

...waiting for that mystical gravity
...waiting

Never Too Late

When you were burning bridges, did you cross the line
Were you blinded by pride, are your memories now unkind
It's never too late, grace always comes in time

Innocence lost, trading silver for fool's gold
Your mind for money, paying that lost highway toll
But it's never enough, what's wanted here, is your soul

Unforgiven, the fire has grown cold
Fallen angel, that story's been told and told
It's never easy, it'll take all, your strength to let go

It's a hard road, the only way out of here
The futures unknown, what's been lost is unclear
You're broken brother, but your faith is stronger than your fear

New Boss (Same As The Old Boss)

Chorus

New boss same as the old boss
Different face, same old props
While the inner sanctum sycophants
Recite the same old doublespeak rants/chants
New boss, same as the old boss

The new man for the job, has been installed
The herd gathers round in the echo chamber hall
Boxes are ticked, the click bait is clicked
The supplicants surrender to their new master's call

Repeat Chorus

We see what we want to see and we hear what we want to hear
Pay no mind to the shadows, the hidden puppeteer
The spin doctors spin, approved narratives begin
As the media cheers, spreads and stokes the fear
And makes those inconvenient truths disappear

Repeat Chorus

...New boss, same as the old boss
And I get on my knees and pray, we don't get fooled again
By the new boss

New World Order

It's a new world order, a lean and mean land
Where greed and ego rule with a, cold and unseen hand
Get out of the way cause the money, it knows where to go
It's a new world order where we'll, reap what we sow
... 'till there's nothing at all

On the factory floor, for 25 years
'til the upside-downsizing, took him out of here
Now the, machine keeps moving while he's, running out of time
Persona non grata keeps him, out of sight out of mind
... 'till he's nothing at all

Chorus

The stock market screams, for the bottom line
The corporate team, marches in time
The rank and file buy, what they've been sold
Till they get tossed aside, with the weak and the old
...and left with nothing at all

The family got broke down, on the side of the road
The children were crying, the car grew cold
Some fast track mover said, "What a pathetic sight"
As he, chased his sad little big money dreams, into the nowhere night
...and on to nothing at all

Repeat Chorus

Nineteen Eighty Four

I heard this Pixies song, made me feel real fine
Joy Division, then New Order, burning holes in my mind

I heard this Cure song, disintegration on display
So sad but you could sing along, while you wasted away

Chorus 1

Listen to the drum machine, pounding out its perfect time
1984, Big Brother's here, But we partied like it's 1999
And the music...sounded so fine

Last night I had the sweetest dream, you were here and we were gone
The Smiths, The Fall, the Psychedelic Furs, played their tunes we sang along

Chorus 2

But 1984 has come and gone, Big Brother's still around
Listen to that drum machine, pounding out the Big Brother sound,
While we keep marching...round and round

I heard this Pixies song, made me feel real fine
So sad but you could sing along, it left a hole in my mind

Nineteen Eighty Four All Over Again

A picture's worth a thousand words but I don't know which are true
Cause Photoshop and Instagram can do what they want with you
Virtual reality and popularity
A thousand virtual friends I'll never know and never see

The wrong kind of mind thought crimes, out of step and time
Delete and re-write the past so it's in line
With the right way to think and speak, the right way to be
On the right side of a revised and re-written history

Chorus

It's 1984 all over again
It's the virtual version brought to you by your omni-present digital friends
Every digital thought, every digital tweet, every turn down every digital street
Every conceit, every delete, every indiscreet secret deceit
All tracked and stored forevermore by the digital thought police
Every preference, predicted and pre-ordained
All linked and synced within, Big Brother's digital brain
It's 1984 all over again

Online dating, online gaming, the online lottery
The cult of personality and the ever present, ever changing enemy
Distracted and sedated with the two-way telescreen
Big Brother's watching and writing an algorithm to feed you what you think you need

Repeat Chorus

...the double-think, digital, refrain
...1984 all over again

Nineteen Seventy Three

1973, burning bright in my memory
The year the 60's died, power chords, sonic highs
Eight track player under the dash, turn it up, let it blast
Hard rock harmony, teenage symphonies

Chorus

Dark Side Of The Moon, Goodbye Yellow Brick Road
Aladdin Sane, Desperado
Band On The Run, Raw Power, Mind Games
In the Houses Of The Holy we were riding those sweet sound waves

David Bowie's got the look, Led Zeppelin wrote the book
Alice Cooper's got the show, School's Out, c'mon let's go
Mott The Hoople, Yes, The Stones, glitter, glam, rock 'n roll
Set the dial 1973, let that year wash over me

Repeat Chorus

If you're ever looking for me, try 1973
Between 60's hippies and the disco show, let it rock, let it go
Down at the record store, electric guitar troubadours
Dancing days are here again, turn that guitar up to 10

Repeat Chorus

...in the Houses Of The Holy...

No Matter What You Do

I'd call you on the phone if there was something new to say
But the whole thing will only end up the same old way
We'll talk about the ghosts that separate me and you
And we'll lose another reason to believe in the things we do

The night's closing in and I'm afraid to go to bed
I'm afraid of the dreams that are running around in my head
I'm afraid of the way that I feel when I think of you
And no matter how I try I know that's what I'll do

Chorus

Why does the day always run to the night
How can a forever love not be right
Why does the river run to the sea
Why do I run to you and you to me

So I walk from room to room and I whisper your name
I count up the hours until I'll see you again
I hold you in my mind and I say goodnight to you
I'll hold you there forever no matter what you do

Repeat Chorus

No More Time (For One More Time)

Everything I've known, the highs the lows, everything I've known had its price
I used to believe, no one would ever leave, I used to sleep at night

Waiting around, the only sound, just a dial tone on the phone
And so it starts, better alone, apart, nothing left but the letting go

Chorus

My old friend fear, we both, still live here, waiting for a future to open its door
Forever is coming fast, turn around, you can't go back, there's no more time for
one more time, no more

A dreamscape land, memory's hand, it colours everything we do
The only songs I want to know, play on yesterday's radio, but they don't sound the
same without you

Repeat Chorus

...I used to believe, no one would ever leave, I used to sleep at night

No Reason, No Defence

What you gonna do when the well runs dry
And your thirst is driving you insane
Rockin' on the edge of what might have been
With no one else but yourself to blame
Love, it might be easy to find
But it's getting kind of hard to hold
Chilly scenes of wintertime,
Days are short, nights are cold

Too close for comfort
Still you seem so far away
Lots of things to talk about
But nothing worthwhile to say
So much sorrow
In this jungle of affluence
Motion without meaning
No reason, no defence

Chorus

Out of time, running out of time
If there's nothing left, nobody wins
Freedom isn't free, nothing's guaranteed
If I knew the way back, I'd start again

Guns and money, drugs and gasoline,
Believe in nothing, fall for anything
Waiting for a signal watching for a sign
I must have missed the point, I must have dropped the line

Repeat Chorus

No Right Or Wrong

Every generation thinks it's smarter than the one before
Just like, every lover gets told all the others were a bore
The things my mind wants to believe they aren't as strange as the things it'll do
When it comes to the subject of me and you

Pray for courage, you live with fear
No one ever promised happiness here
We hit a wall, we didn't see
There's no right or wrong, there's just you and me

Chorus

Once I thought, you could please everybody
A friend to all, a foe to none
Now I know, there's choices to be made
And what's lost gets left behind and what's done is done

Everyone has their price and money won't always pay the fee
A starving man will do anything for food
I've been looking around and I can't find the enemy
There's no black and white, there's just me and you

Forgotten words, never heard, never spoken
Maybe we're blind cause we don't want to see
Plans get made, promises get broken
There's no right or wrong, there's just you and me

Repeat chorus

Nobody Knows

How many stars in the sky
How do you stop time from flying by
How does a forever love end in goodbye
Nobody knows
Nobody knows

Why does everything change
Why do we try again and again
Why does love burn with an aching pain
Nobody knows
Nobody knows

Chorus

Where does love go, when the only home it's known
Becomes a broken heart buried in a broken soul
Where does love go, when that rainbow ride becomes a rocky road
Nobody knows
Nobody knows
Nobody knows

How many stars were in your eyes
How many dreams did you dream while the time flew by
How many tears will love make you cry
Nobody knows
Nobody knows

Repeat Chorus

Northern Mining Town

My father went down into that dark underground
Mining for gold in that northern mining town
He followed those drifts, worked overtime did the graveyard shift
It put food on the table, and a roof overhead for his wife and his kids

The siren would blow, the shift was starting, time to go down below
We all knew that sound, in that northern mining town

Everybody knew everyone, they'd get together when the work was done
The children would run everywhere in the middle of that town in the middle of nowhere
Miner's kids, miner's wives in that northern town living miner's lives
Two weeks of days, two weeks of nights, tunneling through the endless darkness to the morning light

That siren would sometimes blow, cause there was trouble down below
Everyone dreaded that sound, in that northern mining town

That northern sky, the lakes and the trees, the birds floating on that north country breeze
But the gold's buried deep in the underground, in the darkness and the cold, they'll dig until it's found
The miner's wives they say a prayer, keep my husband safe in the good Lord's care
And may my children, never have to go down there

That siren would blow, another shift done time to come up from down below
I still remember that sound, in that northern mining town
... I still remember that sound

Northern Soul (A Song For Canada)

The water shines, and marks the way, through the forest pine
Nature's gift, nature's song, nature's sign

From silent trees, to the wind-swept quay, so wild and true
Northern land, so strong & free, so old, so new

Chorus

So many miles, so many roads, we've come so far, so far to go
From sea to sea, one land one home, a silent wish, in the falling snow

The open road, the open sky, the northern light
Open arms, open minds, we'll be alright

Repeat Chorus

...a silent walk, ancient, unknown
...a silent wish

Étoile du nord, northern soul, dans le nord vrai
La terre du nord, libre et fort, here I'll stay...

(Translation: Northern star, northern soul, in the true north
 Northern land, strong and free, here I'll stay...)

Not Like In The Movies

A poor man's son, walking the wire
Burning his bridges, stoking the rich man's fire
Thought he could play with the devil, and keep his soul
'til the whole thing got out of his control

Slipping down that slippery slope
You can go pretty low, there'll always be enough rope
While the "why didn't I", and the "if only" wait
For that final act, where you meet your fate

Chorus

It's not like in the movies we used to see
Where the hero he might struggle but in the end he'd break free
Where the girl would be in love, right would triumph over wrong
Always and forever, young and strong

The old man sitting in the yard
He did the best he could but life can get so hard
Every mistake is written in the lines on his face
Now all he wants is forgiveness and a little bit of grace ...cause

Chorus

... it's not like in those movies, we wanted to believe
Together forever, in that final scene

Now And Then

A transistor radio once played those summer songs
We knew all the words and we sang along
The sun it shone on a future where we belonged
It was here and it was now 'til it was gone

A monochrome memory in a kodachrome scene
A forgotten photo from a faded dream
Under a wide open sky from a long gone used to be
Where every promise came with a reason to believe

Chorus

Floating on a river of time
Riding waves of yesterdays that never end
A little bit sweet, a little bit sad, sometimes good, sometimes bad
I know I can't stay but I know that I'll be back again
Trying to find some kind of peace between now and then

Where does the time go nobody knows
The days get hard, the world gets real
A cold breeze blows through trees that have lost all their summer leaves
And with a goodbye kiss the future gets sealed

Repeat Chorus

...memory, it's a complicated friend
I know I can't stay but I know I'll be back again

Old Friends

Old friends, they know where you've been
They know your story, they've been with you there and back
They know who you are and they've seen through your act
But they're still ...Old friends...

Old times, they're not so far behind
Rose coloured, out of sight
But you still see them burning bright, in your mind
Old times...

Chorus

Round and round we go, following that rainbow
The in-between of the what might have been
All the things you said, you didn't mean
Every need, every deed, every reason to believe
Every road that leads you home to...Old Friends...

Old songs, you've known for so long
Between a hard place and a rock, you learned to let it roll
They kept you company, they warmed your heart and soothed your soul
Old songs...

Repeat Chorus

...there's just a few, still here with you, Old Friends

Old Rock Songs

Wandered downtown to see the show, some band that used to be on the radio
A long, long, long time ago

In a tree lined park under an evening sky, children riding those midway rides,
young love, finding its way by the riverside

The used to be rock stars trying to find the sound, that once made youth's merry go
world go round

As that sun goes down

Singing their old songs of teenage angst through Marshall amps that they used to
crank,

Now it's polite applause, good night and thanks

Chorus

Singing old rock songs down by the river

1960's psychedelia in 2022 / The ones I used sing when the world was new

It's almost dark, and the light is getting dimmer

Can't remember all the words but I still know the tunes

I sat in my chair and I watched the show, I had nowhere else I wanted to go
I sang along to those songs I used to know

Not quite in tune, not quite right, but it felt pretty good, it felt kind of nice
To forget all that's gone and sing along under the starry night

Repeat Chorus

...I sing them sweet and sad like the way I used to sing with you

Old Soul Eyes

The laughter was loud, youth's brief beauty was glowing
The fires they burned, the music played, the winds of change were blowing
The future would be easy, no mea culpa debt
No regrets, not yet, no promises made that couldn't be kept

Chorus

I watched your old soul eyes drift away
I called, you smiled and gave, an old soul's sad and knowing wave
Like you knew something no one else could see
From deep inside a forgotten dream, on the other side of a memory
Between the mystery of what was and what'll never be
Oh, I wish I could know what those old soul eyes can see

The days get real, as the young years they disappear
The music still plays but it's some old song that always brings a tear
The doors they close, the fire grows cold
The heart learns to let go of what it knows it'll never hold

Repeat Chorus

...just a glimpse of what those old soul eyes can see

Old Souls

November skies dark and gray, winter's coming it's on its way, the days are getting, old and cold

We can't let go of what we know we can't hold still we ride on this old road, the one that would take us home, so long ago

The headlights try to find the signs that we both knew but all they shine on are the same old lines that just, go on and on

Over and over and over again, a used to be that never ends, a fading forever, that's never gone

Chorus

But we just keep living til we're alive again

And we just keep forgiving til we can try again

To find a way through all the times left behind

The good, the bad, the beautiful, the sad and all the times we were blind

All the mixed up mystic moments that'll never let us go

Sometimes they're warm like summer rain, sometimes they hurt like cold winter snow

So much we thought we knew, so much we thought we'd do, so much we went through, but nothing stays the same

Lines were drawn and lines were crossed, so much found and so much lost, the price was high we didn't know the cost, til everything it changed

Repeat Chorus

...Once so young, not so long ago

We hold the years in our hearts while we try to make peace with our souls as they grow old

On A Wave Of Sound

The band it plays, from its heart and its soul
Some old country song, some rock and roll
Down by the lake, early evening light
Summertime songs for a summertime night

A couple of guitars, a bass and a drum
Words and music that become one
He watches from a distance, he knows those songs
Used to play them when he thought, time would go on and on

Chorus

And on a wave of sound, he rides through the years
Til the days become one and the time it disappears
Somewhere between the silence and the sound
Of what's come and gone and what keeps going round
Somewhere between the old and the new
The precious memories and what he wishes, he never knew
He rides through the years on a wave of sound
And for a moment he gets both lost and found

Spring to summer, summer to fall
Winter waits he can feel its call
Look out you rock 'n rollers, that wheel it turns
The light won't be as bright but the flame'll still burn

Repeat Chorus

And on a wave of sound, you'll ride through the years
Til the days become one and the time it disappears
Somewhere between the silence and the sound
Of what's come and gone and what keeps going round
Somewhere between the old and the new
The precious memories and what you'll wish, you never knew
You'll ride through the years on a wave of sound
And for a moment you'll get both lost and found
...on a wave of sound
...on a wave of sound
...on a wave of sound

On This Guitar

I've held this guitar now for 40 years,
A gift from my father
It's seen some good times, some hard times, some tears
Burning fire and cooling water

Chorus 1

It knows my story, it knows all my songs,
It knows when things are going right, and it knows how things can go so wrong

I learned on these 6 strings, how to talk to you
When my lines just wouldn't do
I learned on this old friend to let go and let the Lord
Write the words, find the chords

Chorus 2

In and out of tune, in and out of time
It knows my broken reasons and it knows all my slanted rhymes

I was trying to write a song and nothing was coming out right
Took it out on this guitar
Then I held it in my arms, tried to play it back to life
I'm forgiven, but it still carries the scars

Chorus 3

Got this machine when I was 15 years old
It knows every secret I never told
It knows my heart, it gave me some soul
It knows 'bout all the times I played the rock n roll, on this guitar
...on this guitar
...on this guitar

On Valentine's Day

He almost called her on Valentine's Day
But he's got nothing for her, nothing new to say
Just a fading memory of what used to be
All the whispers and promises, when they both believed
In Valentine's Day

Yesterday's gone, but the shadows are long
Love, it can feel so right but it can end so wrong
Angry words and all of the tears
Left in the shadows of those long gone years
On Valentine's Day

No sun, no moon, no stars on Valentine's Day
No flowers, no candles, no cards on Valentine's Day
No whispers, no promise, just a fading memory
Of a long ago love and what could've been
On Valentine's Day

He almost called her on Valentine's Day

Once I Was Your Hero

Nothing's different, each day's the same
Everything in its place til it all gets changed
A telephone call, a knock on the door
Some old secret from years before

Now I'm walking around this old house
Where once a bright eyed future could be found
Before the forget me nots and the innocence got lost
Inside broken promises and silent sounds

Chorus

Once I was your hero
Once I stood so tall
I was who you wanted to see, what you wanted me to be
But sometimes heroes they stumble, they fall
From favour, from faith, from power, from grace
From the light that lives in a loved one's eyes
Out of time, out of place, living in the empty spaces
Left by all the tears I made you cry

The last flame, the last light
The last chance lost and found
The last call, the last song
Last time around

It came before we knew it'd be the end of all that we'd been through
The last time I'd ever let you down
Here with what's lost and left, you know I wish you all the best
With these unspoken words and silent sounds

Repeat Chorus

...Once I was your hero

One

Everything you've been and seen
Everything you've done
Everything you are
Will fold into one

Every time you turned away
Every time you tried
Every time you laughed
Every time you cried

Chorus

All those years that disappeared
The ones you had to let go
They were never gone they're just waiting, for you to come home
And when you do they'll wrap you in their arms
They'll fold you in forgiving love
With a little bit of faith and some saving grace
You and everything you've known will become one

Everyone you knew
Who walked with you
Through everything you went through
The old, the new, the borrowed, the blue

The broken dreamer, the fallen man
The times you got lost in the desert land
The ones who reached out gave you a helping hand
They'll all be there with every grain of sand

Repeat Chorus

...When it's over, it's finished, it's done
You and everything you knew will become one

One Foot In Front Of The Other

An old man walking under the evening sky
The birds are singing a twilight lullaby
Once he walked this same road a forever, time ago
With a long gone someone that he once held, but he couldn't hold

Well he's still here but he's almost gone
Feels like a stranger where he once belonged
Just some old guy wandering alone
Putting one foot in front of the other on his way back home

Chorus

One foot in front of the other
One memory and then another
One foot where he's been
One foot where he's going
The distance slips away
Between here and now and yesterday
Cause in the end it'll all become one
The old, the new, what's done and what can't be undone

All the seasons of plenty, seasons of discontent
Trying to make some kind of peace with the lost innocence
With what he can't change, what won't leave him alone
Putting one foot in front of the other 'til he's finally home

Repeat Chorus

One More Old Man And The Sea

A cold front's coming from the North
A winter wind from the west
The waves are crashing on the eastern seabord
So I'm heading south with what's left

Of what I used to want to believe
And what I once thought I knew
On I 75 through the land of Faulkner and Harper Lee
To that ocean beach front and that warm water blue

Chorus

An old man in the land of Jimmy Buffet and manatees
And space shuttles and Hemmingway and that sweet warm Gulf breeze
Old bones and old stories, old songs under those palm trees
One more old man and the sea

Strum my guitar under those southern stars
Miles from home, a million mind miles away
I tell northern stories in those southern beach bars
They've heard them all before but they listen anyway ...to the

Repeat Chorus

...one more old man and the sea
...one more old man with nowhere else to be

One More Thing

The grass needs cutting, the kids are fussin'
The trees need trimin' and there's a hole in the screen where the bugs are getting in
The car needs a wash and there's so much garbage that has to be tossed
The dishes are piling up and I can't find a clean coffee cup

Chorus-1

There's always one more thing, waiting for some duct tape and a piece of string
There's not enough money, not enough time, and we're trying not to fall too far behind

There's so much junk we don't need anymore and there's some salesman knocking at the door
Selling me something he insists I need, no money back, guaranteed
The tap is leaking, the toilet needs tweaking, the washing machine is a banging and a squeaking
The boss says he wants more of this and that, it's all coming and going way too fast

Repeat Chorus-1

But it'll all still be here tomorrow if we leave it for today
Take a break from all we have to think about, what we have to do and what we need to say
And just dance 'neath these stars and share the gift of this night
You always look so pretty in the quiet, moonlight

Chorus-2

There'll always be one more thing, and that's you and me and what tomorrow will bring
There's so much we've done, so much we've seen and so much love we've shared between
All the first and the last and the one more times, the you and me and the yours and the mine
The promise of forever and the come what may, as long as we're together we'll be OK

One Thing's For Certain...

You put one foot, in front of the other
You hold out your hand, to your sister and your brother
We're all here together, one for another
And you put one foot, in front of the other
You keep your head, you stumble you recover
You find your voice, among the noise and the clutter
And you put one foot, in front of the other

You do the best you can, with what you've been given
Don't lose your way, among the takers and the driven
Secrets hidden, temptation, the forbidden
You do the best you can, with what you've been given
Mistakes are made, made to be forgiven
Every day's a choice, the future's still unwritten
You do the best you can, with what you've been given

Bridge

Hanging on, letting go
You might never know
All the reasons why...

One things for certain, things are gonna change
You don't know where it's going, still you ride this train
One day it's sunshine, the next it's rain
One things for certain, things are gonna change
So long gone, nothing stays the same
The end of the line, starting over again
One things for certain, things are gonna change

...one thing's for certain, nothing stays the same

Repeat Bridge

...all the reasons why

Our Lady Of Lost Causes

My neon tan is starting to fade
My time in this town is almost done
The streetlights burn over the devils arcade
Fairweather friends having fair-weather fun

Beautiful people, in their beautiful time
Out of their beautiful minds
Chance and choice, more for less
Reckless belief, flying blind

Chorus

Hold on my darling,
Hold on to me
Sometimes you know more than you want to
Sometimes you see more than you want to see

Things get so final, so fast, so soon
You knew it was coming but it's already here
More and more of less and less
Driven by ego, fueled by fear

Unforgiven, seldom seen
Yesterday's man selling yesterday's dreams
Bigger better faster more
There's nothing I want here, not anymore

Chorus

Hold on my darling,
Hold on to me
Sometimes you know more than you want to
Sometimes you see more than you want to see
...Hold on my darling
Hold on to me tight
Our lady of lost causes
Will have to guide us home tonight
...Our lady of lost causes
Will have to guide us home tonight

Out Walking With My Dog

OK Everybody, Here's a sing along song, and here's your part

Chorus

Out walkin' with my dog
He stopped to sniff a log
Had to pull on his chain, to get him moving again
Out walkin' with my dog

I wish my neighbour would cut his lawn
That grass is getting way too long
All he does is sit and play his guitar
And sing those stupid folk songs

Repeat Chorus

My dog's gotta do his business
Might of ate too many of those dog biscuits
I got no bag, gotta leave it on the side - walk
I hope there ain't no witness

Repeat Chorus

There's that guy who loves to yak
Don't feel like doing the stop and chat
Listening to, never ending stories, 'bout present problems and past glories
'bout the proper way to do, this and that, what's wrong with the world, what's wrong with his back
It goes on and on, and on and on, and on and on, and on and on
Maybe if I do, a quick turn here, he won't see me, I can disappear

Repeat Chorus

Shit, there's a skunk
This stupid dog already got sprayed once
He smelled for days and days
And the whole house stunk

Repeat Chorus

Me and my dog, we're home again
He looks kinda mangy but he's my best friend
Got a mind of his own, got a tendency to roam
But when I'm with him I don't have to pretend

Repeat Chorus

Path To Your Soul

Push and pull, running out of time
Prisoners of the past, prisoners of our minds
Too much time, waiting for the lost to be found
Too much talk, too much spinning around

Everything we dreamed, got twisted by reality
Nothing shared anymore, not even the memories
If 6 is 9, then 1 and 1 make 3
I throw it to you, you throw it right back at me

Chorus

But letting you down, is getting me down
This ship ain't moving, its run aground
Running out of time, my minds getting out of control
But it's your wounds, that light the path to your soul

I got no plans, I don't know what I'm fighting for
Cause if you take what you want, You'll just keep wanting more
Patience and guidance, that's all I'm praying for
I got no plans, I don't know what I'm fighting for

Repeat Chorus

...yeah it's your wounds, that light the path to your soul

Payback Road

I saw you on the street, I called but you kept walking,
Away from me
I don't blame you for what you do, I'd do the same if I were you,
I'd just break free

It's hard but it's ok, I'll walk this desert for 40 days,
I won't look back

Cause everybody's got to do their time, it separates the survivors from the cheap talk
kind, and the scars they show through
The scars, they show through

Chorus

Did you do your time in the desert son,
Or did you run away to the city of gold
Did you fall when the cross got too heavy son,
Well pick it up and walk, a little, further down payback road

I tried to talk to you, I must have said something wrong,
You walked away
Don't you even recognize my soul, it's the lost one for whom the bell tolls, but I'll get it
back someday

The ones who've been there well they understand, there's no easy way out of the desert
land, you've got to go the distance
Your mind might tell you one thing but your heart it knows, when you've done your time,
you can put down that load,
And get yourself off, payback road
Get yourself off, payback road

Repeat Chorus

Pieces

Where did we start to go wrong
We used to sing each other's song
We didn't have to try to get along
Where did we start to go wrong

Here and there you and me
Pieces of who we used to be
Things we'd do, things we'd see
Pieces of you, pieces of me

Chorus

The open road, the clear blue sky
Sunny days with no end in sight
A summer song, a summertime dream
Sneakin' up on my memory
A single voice, two part harmony

Just a boy trying to make it on his own
Just a girl doesn't want to be alone
Just two kids trying to make a home
Trying to hang on to the love they've known

Repeat Chorus

... Things we'd do, things we'd see
Pieces of you, pieces of me...
Sneakin' up on my memory

Pilate's Lament

I don't understand these people, their rules and their laws
And who is this man, they claim he calls himself God
Quiet but clever, I can find no wrong
But the sooner I let them have their way, the sooner they'll be gone

I wish I was back in Rome, far from this peasant crowd
At the centre of the world, with the beautiful, the proud
The emperor, the court, a chance to be seen
But until I'm done I'm stuck here, dealing with these no-win scenes

Chorus

So I wash my hands of this case, in this sad and strange land
But I've somehow become guilty, this man's blood is on my hands
Now I'm the ruler who did nothing, just let the deed be done
I've become the accused, history's unforgiven one

These people have pushed me too far, I'll make their victory their loss
They want me to change the words that I've placed on that cross
"King of the Jews", was I driven by anger or by the divine
Well I've written what I've written, now we'll all live with that line.

Repeat Chorus

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But I've somehow become guilty, this man's blood is on my hands
Now I'm the ruler who did nothing, just let the deed be done
I've become the accused, history's unforgiven one

...I'm the ruler who did nothing, just let the deed be done
Now the stone's been rolled away, and I'm the guilty one

Prayers From Heaven

Through the what never was and the what used to be
The reasons to stay, the reasons to leave
Through the silent sound of a forgotten dream
Your prayers they were always there for me

Under a new day sun in the morning sky
A gentle breeze in the trees
Under a twilight light, a starry night
Your prayers they were always there for me

Chorus

An encouraging word, a forgiving touch
A moment shared, a quiet peace
A smile and a tear for a precious memory
Your prayers they were always there for me

Fading colours, in the fading light
Fading like the fallen autumn leaves
Still praying for a better day as your last breath slipped away
Your prayers they were always there for me

Repeat Chorus

Now you're finally home, finally free
With what always was and with what, will always be
And your heavenly prayers, they're stronger I feel them everywhere
Ah, your prayers, they were always there for me
...And your prayers, they're still there for me
...Your prayers from heaven

Praying In The Dark

She didn't have to look back, there was nothing in the rear view mirror
She didn't know where she was going, she just had to get away from here
The sweet beginning the hand holding end, it's the middle part that makes you
scared
She pushed up against the dead end, she always knew was waiting there

Chorus 1

You're going to get so lonely, before you find you're not alone
You're going to get beaten and broken, before you find the answers you've always
known

I tried to sing a new song, but the words sounded insane
I'm humbled by my arrogance, thinking I had something to say
She said you could have been someone, Once you even touched my soul
But you were seduced like all the others, by the illusion of control

Repeat Chorus 1

Refrain

Only God knows me, He's the only one who sees
What I've become, And what I wanted to be
No one said it'd be easy, But I didn't think it would be this hard
I walked away from you in the light of the morning, Now I'm praying to you in the
dark

I try to remember the reasons, But I can't get to them at all
We traded all of our dreams, For acceptance and protocol
Neither saint nor sinner, just something in between
Round and Round and Round, Where your going's where you've been

Repeat Chorus 1

Repeat Refrain

Pretty Girls

Pretty girls know that they'll never get old
Pretty girls know that they'll never be cold
Silly boys will always catch their eyes
Catch their fall listen to their sighs
...they know this

Pretty girls with their dress down clothes
Know this is their time yes and this is their show
Pretty girls in their satin gown
Can open doors without making a sound
...they know this

Chorus

Pretty girls lost in the latest fad
Oh they get so tired you know they get so sad
When they look for the eyes that told them who they were
You know it used to be so easy, now they're not so sure

Pretty girls throw away so many chances
The broken promise of a thousand dances
Playing the odds in a game of dreams
Where a pretty face tries to stop the time machine

Pretty girls know that they make boys cry
When they, turn away and they don't say why
Pretty girls know that they have to move fast
Or they're just one more pretty picture in a lover boy's past

Repeat Chorus

Pride And Time

I can't let go, of what I cannot keep, I can't let go of you
Walking with a mind, I can't make up, Still I know what I should do
If I could you know that I would but, I'm not strong enough to fight with my pride
So far away, I won't see you today, though my love is as wide as the sky

You hold on to, your cell phone like, it was a crucifix
Waiting for, that phone to ring, like a junkie waiting for a fix
You probably could but there's no way you would, your pride's worth more than being alone
Nobody calls, nobody speaks, There's nothing but a dial tone

Chorus

Known, but unspoken, Wasted time, second thoughts
The silence remains unbroken, So proud of our pride but so lost

We fall once, we fall twice, three times and we're down
We crawl back up, we watch, we wait, we keep what's lost from coming round
If I could, you know that I would, Hold you in my arms again
And we'd break down this wall, and break on through,
Before pride and time bring us to an end

Repeat Chorus

... The loneliness remains unbroken, So proud of our pride but so lost

The Prince Of Your Dreams

When you're finished making dinner and fixed that plugged septic tank
Gone to work and brought your pay home to me
Maybe you can try, to explain once again
Why it is that you want to leave

Don't forget to get some beer when you've cut the lawn
'Cause my buddy's coming over here today
Between the TV and the video games maybe there'll be time
For you to tell me again why you can't stay ...cause

Chorus

I'm the prince who stepped out of every girl's dream
I got charm and good looks, I'm quite the catch
I don't know why you want to leave, this life seems perfect to me
But if you're going to go could you leave me a little cash

The girls down at the strip club they know what I like
They want me for their own, it's plain to see
Some might say it's cause I'm paying them but I don't think so
'Cause when I come around all they want is me ...yeah

Repeat Chorus

Yeah, you should be happy with a prize like me
I got charm and good looks I'm sweet as honey
I'm a someday man with lots of big plans
But for now could you lend me a little money
...and fix me something for my hungry tummy
...something that's sweet and yummy
...I think you're gonna miss me honey

*Based on an idea by Shel Silverstein

Prodigal Son (Know That You're Loved)

Chorus

Know that you're loved, know that you're forgiven
Know that it's time to let it go
What you've seen and where you've been
Doesn't mean you have to be alone
All the wicked winds you've known
All the different ways those winds have blown
Through the knowledge of good and evil that you've been shown
Know that you're loved, know that you're forgiven
Know that it's time to come home

Hold on, hold tight
The morning dawn will soon be breaking through
To light the way between yesterday and today
On the right side of those lines that you drew

Repeat Chorus

You don't have to roam in the land of the forever alone
Broken, blamed and despised
The shifting winds, the shifting sands, the shifting rules in this land of man
Your home, it waits for you on the other side

... Know that you're loved, know that you're forgiven
Know that it's time to let it go
Know that you're loved, know that you're forgiven
Know that it's time to come home

Put A Candle In The Window

I'm having a good day
Everything's going my way
Having a good time, breaking free of all the ghosts that lived in my mind

Sun is shining through
A sky once grey, now so blue
Yesterday is gone and I'm singing this brand new song, yeah

Chorus

Put a candle in the window
For the lost souls in the city of gold
Waiting for a light that'll lead them home

Put a candle in the window
For the lonely heart waiting for time's bell toll
Watching through the knowing eyes of the old

Put a candle in the window
For the weary ones trying to let go
And leave behind all the darkness they've known

Put a candle in the window
For the forgiven on an unforgiving road
I'm coming home

The nighttime will bring out the stars
And I'll make some kind of peace with these wrong road scars
Turn my collar high, face that cold, cold wind
Keep my eye on the prize till the warm times are here again

Repeat Chorus

...I'm coming home

Ready To Learn

What you gonna say when your ship comes in, and there's no one around who cares
Who you gonna tell your lonely secrets to, when you can't even breath a prayer
When will you stop thinking that what you give away, is something that you've lost
It's the things that you keep for your selfish self, those are the things that are gonna cost

Bridge

Quiet desperation in the, shadows of reality, the lost highway has so many bad turns
You get twisted around, mixed up and broken down, but that's when your ready to learn
That you...

Chorus

You carry your brother, as far as you can, then you carry him, a little bit more
You serve your sister, give her your hand, she's trying to keep her babies warm
Feed the hungry, shelter the poor, a kind and generous and gentle man
Look after your brother, and God'll look after you, in ways you'll never understand

The road from here to eternity, it is and isn't a straight line
You can take what you want but you'll pay the price, for listening to that joker in your mind
The lesson's simple, but it's hard to learn, goes against everything you think you know
The more love you give, the happier you'll get, everyone reaps what they sow

Reality And Mystery

I been on both sides of the great divide
The one who's leaving and the one who gets left behind
Both sides of the lock and the key
Lived through seasons of plenty and seasons of need
Both sides of the here and gone
Some place I want to be and somewhere I don't belong
Both sides of what's left of what was
The reasons that were real and the ones that were just because

Chorus

Yeah both sides of reality and mystery
A here and now that you only, sometimes ever see
Yeah both sides of mystery and reality
You live it every day but you still don't know what it means
The reality of mystery
The push and pull of what was and what will never be
The mystery of reality
You ride your dream within a dream of everything you've seen and been
Til it all turns into the dust of memory

I been on both sides of the great divide
I see what I want to see 'til I see that I'm blind
Both sides of what's left of what's right
Think I'm moving to the light 'til it turns into the night
Both sides of the unturned page
Unwritten words about uncertain days
Both sides of the give and take
Ride the forgiving tide, take a break from my mistakes

Repeat Chorus

Receding Reality

Your mobile is ringing, your messages are bringing you...
Attractions, distractions that enrage, subdue and consume
You receive your infusion of the current social media mood
Your echo chamber alliances approved and renewed

Separation, resignation, burned out tired in a polarized world
Round and round on the indoctrinating tilt-a-whirl
Virtually connected but so alone, disconnected from so many you've known
Isolated, anxious and fearful, welcome to your new digital home

Chorus

Receding reality
Where what you see is what you're told you see
Where what you need is what you're told you need
To be
Receding reality
Digital directives deployed and received
Your world in your hands on your digital screen
Under gaslight lit lamps telling you what to believe

In an AI driven land where what's real shifts like time's shifting sands
A prism of algorithms building a virtual reality land
Monopolizing your time, in tribal echo chambers keeping your mind
Blind and confined to the day to day digital grind

Repeat Chorus

.....Algorithmically personalized
While you're strolling and scrolling, your reality revised
Loading, re-loading, hypnotized
Nothing's real 'til it's digitized

Recovered

I used to be lost, now I'm just blue
And that's right next door to getting over you
I used to be your fool, hanging on to a string
But even the memories get better the further you get away from the thing

I used to walk around with my head hanging down
I used to think everyone looked like some kind of clown
Their lives were pathetic and mine was too
There was, nothing going on, there was nothing to do

Chorus-1

Look me up under recovered
I might have stumbled but I didn't go down
Look me up and you'll discover
I've turned you loose and I've turned it around

You stole a piece of my life and you used up my time
I took up residence, inside my mind
I was my own best friend and my worst enemy
Living somewhere between what you know and what you don't want to believe

Repeat Chorus 1

Chorus-11

Look me up under recovered
The voice might be the same but the songs brand new
Look me up and you'll discover
This is the last one i'll sing about you

Reluctant Mercenary

The folk singer had been bought and paid for by the corporate PR plan
He sang innocuous songs and struck a rebel pose
He sang about love and loss, he sang about things he didn't understand
He wrapped it all up in a pseudo poet's prose

It's like the cute little comedy about the dysfunctional family
Well pseudo social issues sure can be a lot of fun
If you wanted to believe you could almost be relieved by this version of reality
That has nothing to do with anything you've ever seen or done

It's like the hard-hitting novel about the disenfranchised rebel and the thoughts racing through his mind
Written by the writer with a lot of anger to burn
Well, he sold the movie rights to his 20th century angst
And the rage got left behind
On the talk show circuit people know him for the money he's earned

Everybody's got their demons, everybody's got their dreams,
Everybody's got their point of view
And their hidden agenda for improving their personal score
So, before you listen to their songs or sing along as if they were true
You better understand who, why and what they're singing them for

Yeah, before you listen to their songs, you better make sure that they are true
And not just one more piece of dubious wisdom from the pop culture store

The reluctant mercenary sells a little piece of his soul
Now he's brought to you by his sponsor, a brand new image and a brand new role
You weren't born to follow, so don't let me get in your way
Blind belief is a loser's game, that nobody has to play
Baby trust yourself, don't trust me, just be who you are,
Who you were meant to be
Baby trust yourself, don't trust me, believe what you know
Not what someone wants you to see, baby trust yourself...ahh, ahh

Requiem For Love

I speak, but I don't feel
I'm here, but nothing is real
My nerves are shattered, I'm alone with all the years
I keep the flame burning, but your light is gone from here

It all comes round, to where it all came from
I can't let go, of what's left undone
I deal with the distance, I watch for a sign
I don't know where you are, but you live in my heart and mind

Bridge

I get the big picture, it's the details that do me in
I thank the well-wishers, with no idea how I'll begin again

Broken reasons, broken rhymes
Broken hearts, broken minds
You broke free of these chains, you left this house of cards
You're as close as a memory, far away as the farthest star

Rivertown

A river of time runs through this river town
It flows summertime warm and wintertime cold
It always has and it always will
That river of time it never grows old

It never stops, it's never still, it never rests, it never will
It never loses its way
The moon, the sun, the stars, the sky, they stay the same as the years fly by
But that river of time leaves us forever changed

Chorus

While/Where children dream the dreams of a child
And the old they live with what's been lost and what they've found
The shadows are long of the ones once here but now long gone
As that river of time keeps running through this river town

There's a river of time between all that'll be and all that's been
The ever present past, the here and the now
From a child's summer sun to an old man's prayer it's never done
That river of time keeps running through, this river town

Repeat Chorus - 2X

...that river of time keeps running through this river town

Robert Frost Said...

When I was young my teachers were the old
I gave up fire for form 'til I was cold
I suffered like a metal being cast
I went to school, to age, to learn the past

Chorus

The woods are silent, dark and deep
But I have promises to keep
And miles to go before I sleep
And miles to go before I sleep

Now that I'm old my teachers are the young
What can't be molded must be cracked and sprung
I learn my lessons from the ones I nurture
I go to school, to youth, to learn the future

Repeat Chorus

I know I'll be telling this with a sigh
Two roads diverged in the woods and I
I took the one less travelled by
I took the one less travelled by

Repeat Chorus

...and miles to go before I sleep
...and miles to go before I sleep

Rose Coloured Glasses

I walk alone where you and I we walked together
Everything's changed but the memories go on forever
I watched you leave, I watched you turn and wave goodbye
I watched the clouds creep into our wide open sky

Chorus - I put on my rose coloured glasses
So I only see what I need to see
No angry words no tears no fights no sleepless nights
Just sweet memories of you and me

I know what I want to keep and I keep what I want to believe
I know what I want to know when I think of you and me
Now that you're gone I'm free to see what I need to remember
The days so warm, the light so soft, the nights so tender

Repeat Chorus

... I walk alone where you and I we walked together
Everything's changed but the memories go on forever

Ruthless Logic

You break so easy, when you won't bend
And time gives no quarter no nothing at all
Well my enemy used to be my friend
We carried each other before the fall

Boldness and ignorance, they go hand in hand
That's how love gets so doomed
Looking for one more thing to misunderstand
A couple of victims searching for a wound

...Ruthless logic...

You only see what you want to see
The things you choose make you who you are
Cain still wanders round driven by his memory
Yeah, every time you lose a friend, you carry one more scar

...Ruthless logic...

Maybe these words will get misconstrued
Branded as rude and crude
Designed to delude the shrewd
Both intrude and elude
Till there's no connection to anything at all
But maybe through all this noise you might hear me call

...Ruthless logic...

Sad And Beautiful

Faded photo, on the wall, so young so sure, about it all
A memory, of what used to be, before the unknown future that the camera couldn't see

Chorus

So sad and beautiful, it hurts
So sad and beautiful, it hurts

Sweet souveniers, long gone years, the colours fade away, the faces disappear
The price of wisdom, the price of gold, the price of love, now we know

Repeat Chorus

Bridge

The picture, the time, the innocence, the signs
The promise of a warm, and wide, open sky

So sad and beautiful, it hurts
...so sad and beautiful, it hurts
...so sad and beautiful, it hurts
...so sad and beautiful, it hurts

Salome's Last Dance

The party was over, no one turned to see, Salome dance across the floor
Once she was a treasure, but no one ever found her key, now its just memories that wait at her door
She dances for the ghosts that only she knows exist, they live with her here in this place
Since she danced for the head of John The Baptist, she's been looking for her lost state of grace

Bridge

And she says...

The love I gave to you, for a song, it'll be so far away, when you find I'm gone
I'll see you in Purgatory, where we'll stay 'til we separate, the good from the bad, free will from fate

Chorus 1

Dance, Salome dance, for your pieces of silver and gold
Dance, Salome dance, for the ones that you couldn't hold

You get your moment, you take your chance, then you live with the things that you've done
The ones you must fear the most, will hold you in a trance, just before they show you the gun
How can you miss something, you never had, she traded her love for what she couldn't hold
Now time makes her tired, her beauty is sad, and the young won't easily forgive the old

Repeat Bridge

Chorus 11

Dance, Salome dance, for the good times that you had
Dance, Salome dance, for all the good that got mixed with the bad
Dance, Salome dance, for the things that might have been

Sanctimonious Sanctimony

Chorus

Sanctimonious, sanctimony
There's no doubt, just certainty
On the right side of right, breaking free
Of the wrong kind of open mind that might make me see
The other side of my sanctimonious
Sanctimony

The flavor of the day, the narrative that points the way
To who to bless and who to blame, who to acclaim and who to shame
Sending the right sign to the group-think party line
A sanctimonious time finger pointing at the blind who have the wrong kind of mind...

Repeat Chorus

My truth is my word and I get my word from what I've heard
In my echo chamber world, amplified and reconfirmed
I call out to my tribe, keeping alive that great divide
Between us and them, so we can sanctimoniously condemn
Any kind of mind that might offend...

Repeat Chorus

... Yeah, my sanctimonious, sanctimony

Scars On My Soul

The times I turned away
The praise I never gave
The days I only heard what I wanted to hear
And the mistakes I never forgave

The ones I left behind
On that broken promise road
The ones that gave me so much love
That I let go

Chorus

My heart, it's got broken
More than a time or two
It hurt and it was hard, it left a few scars
But time it heals and it carried me through
But for the ones whose hearts, I've broken
There's an ache that I still feel
Scars on my soul that won't let me go
That time can't find a way to heal

I see them sometimes in my dreams
Or in the fire's dying flame
In the falling rain again and again
I hear them calling my name

In a forgotten memory
A tear that was never cried
From a long ago that's so far away
I can hear them asking why

Repeat Chorus

Sea Of Sorrow

Drifting in the darkness, losing sight of the shore
She prays for release but she stays 'cause she still wants more
On the sea of sorrow with its sweet, swan songs
Wistful waves of the deepest blue are all that's left of all that's gone

The scars leave their mark, but she doesn't want the wounds to heal
The hole left in her soul, is sometimes all she wants to feel
On the sea of sorrow the heart, does what it does to mend
While those sweet waves of sadness wash over her again

Chorus

Behind her calm, composed disguise, she still rides
On that sea of sorrow, into tomorrow
Where yesterday's shadow, colours the sun
She feels older and colder but she doesn't want it to be over
Cause the sadness keeps her closer to what's left of what's gone
She lives with it, she carries on

The aching and the longing and the yearning in her soul
Waves crash through what the mind can't control
On the sea of sorrow, where sweet sadness is a friend
She wants it to be gone, but she doesn't want it to end

Repeat Chorus

...she lives with it...

Sealed With A Song

Friends forever, for all time
Taken for granted, in that warm summertime
Let's drink to youth, that sweet, sweet wine
The moment was over, before you even knew it would be the last time

Chorus

Chasing the wind, chasing tomorrow
Wasting the time, we had borrowed
Farewell, Goodbye, Sealed with a song
It's the best I can do, Now I best be gone

Bridge

The wind blows South, turns to the North
Round it goes, following its course

I saw a picture of you looking away
A far horizon in your eyes that day
I didn't know it then, but we were drifting away
Toward tomorrow, and a memory of yesterday

Seasons

The dark light it called, it played its' siren song
It sounded so sweet and we, we played along
'til the words made no sense and the tune was gone
And left a silent silence that lives somewhere between right and wrong
And goes on and on

Chorus

But/Yeah the seasons change, they'll give and they'll take
There'll be a season of love, there'll be a season of hate
A season of darkness that feels like a never ending night
'til the broken break free and break through to the light

The morning was broken and the dawn was gray
The silence surrounded what was left of what we couldn't say
The party was over but the ghosts they wouldn't leave they wrapped themselves in
memory's chains
Trying to find some kind of peace with the lines that were crossed
And the debts, that were never paid

Chorus – 2X

Seasons Come And Go

Everything passes, nothing stays the same
The good, the bad, the happy, the sad
Who to bless and who to blame
Round and round again
Something someone said
Something someone, did or didn't do
Everything passes, nothing stays the same
Round and round again

Seasons they come and seasons they go
The good, the bad and sometimes seasons we don't want to know
A season of wisdom, a season of truth
A season of chasing fool's gold
Sometimes the beautiful is now, it's here
And sometimes you just want the now to disappear
Seasons they come and seasons they go
You never know which way that wind is going to blow

Bridge

The writing's on the wall
It's been there all along
Everything that's here, will someday be gone
The good time songs and the hard time wrongs
Reasons to go, reasons to carry on
Plans made but never played, waiting for that sometime someday
Waiting for that season of plenty to come round again

Wishing things would change when everything's the same
Til you're wishing it'd all come back again
Faces and places and memory traces
Of those who broke free of time's chains
What you've seen, the highs, the lows
What you know and what you don't want to know
On this ever changing road, the seasons they come and they go
The good and the bad, the happy, the sad, you never know which way that wind is going to blow
The seasons they come and they go

Second Act

I'll be your butler, I'll even be your maid
I'll be alright if I know that your OK
I'll be your driver, if you need a ride
I'll tell you the truth if you're stuck in a lie

Chorus

If you take me back, I'll get back on track
A brand new man, with a brand new second act
A second chance, a second dance, second time around, this time I won't let you down

I'll be wrong, if you want to be right
I'll be your day, just let me share your night
I'll be your reason, I'll be your rhyme
I'll be your ying, along with your yang

Repeat Chorus

If you need a reason, I'll give you one or two
If you fall to pieces, I'll make you feel brand new
You'll never be lonely, even when you're alone
No more will you have to wonder, if I'm ever coming home

Repeat Chorus – 2X

Secret Of The Dance

There's so many different paths, with so many different turns
Between what you know and what you say
If I heard everything that i was told, I'd probably lose my way
I look down on all I haven't done, and I see her dance across the floor
I stand and watch, that's what I always do and my mind says don't ask for anymore

Take a tip, the voices say, don't trust the good times when they come
Cause they'll change so fast, that you won't know where to turn, and with nowhere to hide
you'll just run
But she says don't listen to the tune of the day, don't do-se-do on command
It's easy to do, you just let yourself go, and follow the secret of the dance

Chorus

So waltz through the meaning of each moment
And maybe I'll just watch from over here
It's so safe to stand in the shadows, where the illusion of time moves through the years
How did you make the jump to heaven, without paying all the tolls along this road
You look so free and easy like a believer, in something that no one else has been told

She says don't get confused by all the conflicting signs,
You read on this highway you ride
They're all a distraction, and they can't touch you, if you know who you are inside
It's easy you know, you just let yourself go, don't worry about keeping time
You can't be a dancer as you move across this floor if you're worried about staying in line
And she says don't listen to the tune of the day
Don't do-se-do on command
It's easy you know, you just let yourself go
And follow the secret of the dance

Repeat chorus

See You Again

The moths and the rust will corrupt
What the thieves in the night don't steal
Time will take time away, and dust will turn to dust
With my last breath I hope I'll finally know what was real

Everything moves on, 'til everything's gone
On and on and on to its end
Between forever and now and the great beyond
I know that I, will see you again

Chorus

Walking shadows strut and fret through their hour upon the stage
Tomorrow and tomorrow creeps in, from day to day
The sound and the fury 'til the curtains close and the life lights begin to fade
The stories might be different but the ending's always the same
...but I know that I, will see you again
...yeah I know that I, will see you again

Here or there or everywhere
I don't know how, don't know when
Somewhere between forever and a prayer
I know that I, will see you again

Repeat Chorus

...I know that I will see you again

Seven Chains

He's whatever you want to know, whatever you want to see
Whatever you want to hear, whatever you want him to be
He can change with the weather, come and go like the wind
He can smile and shake your hand and be your brand new best friend when he says...

Chorus

I got seven chains that will set you free
Bejeweled with your desire and whatever you think you might need
These seven chains will let you be who you want to be
He says these chains can be yours but I'll keep the keys
...seven chains

He's got greed at a discount, sloth for a song
He's dressed up pride and envy so they don't look wrong
He's got gluttony and lust to feed your desire
He's got wrath that'll fuel your hate and burn like a fire, he says...

Repeat Chorus

Who needs temperance, when you can have it all
Prudence is for cowards, the spineless, soft and small
Faith, hope and love are for the weak of mind
Courage is insanity and justice is blind he says...

Repeat Chorus

...whatever you want to know or see, whatever you want to hear or be
...I got seven chains that will set you free ...seven chains

Shadows Of Yesterday

The nighttime birds sing their night time songs
She waits with those evening shades of gray
For the silhouettes and whispers of loved ones long gone
Shadows of yesterday

In and out of the light
They get more real as the time slips away
Between what was wrong and what was right
Shadows of yesterday

Chorus

Somewhere between grief and grace
The price of love and the price she's paid
She'll wait for the light in this dark place
With those shadows of yesterday

Between what's been lost and what's been found
Between what she kept but she couldn't save
The silence waits for the silent sound
Of those shadows of yesterday

Repeat Chorus

...she'll wait for the light in this dark place
With those shadows of yesterday

Shine On

Don't ask me any more questions, I don't want to have to lie
Don't give me any more answers, I want to feel like I've tried

Chorus

There's nothing more to say, you can't go back to the start
If I have to act, well I can't stay, I'm just not right for the part

It's got cold outside have you noticed it yet, everybody wants to go home
They're tired of the hype and they want to forget, all the pleasures that they've never
known

A new world order where the strong can thrive, big money's brand new song
Let the wooden soldiers fall in line, there's no room for the weak so they're gone

Repeat Chorus

Everything that goes round, it comes round again
Like that Instant Karma song
The good, the bad, it all comes back in the end
And we all shine on

Repeat Chorus

Shine Your Light

Making time, making do
Getting by, just passing through
Here today, gone tomorrow
The time is never ours, it's only ever borrowed

And you might not get the story, you might not get the song
The emperor's new clothes, they might look all wrong
In this world, but not of it
Just shine your light, and rise above it

Chorus

And that same cold wind that blew you here will someday blow you home
Face to the gale, ride the edge closer to the bone
You might be outnumbered but you're never going to be alone
At night shine your light, every morning roll away that stone

You don't know how to stop so you just keep going
You don't know which way that wind's gonna be blowing
The water's still here but the river keeps flowing
There's a train a coming, which way will you be going

Repeat Chorus – 2X

Shooting Star

The kids build their lives, the girls become wives, the boys try to be men, but they're still just children

Then the babies come, the girls become moms, the boys try to provide, there's no more free ride

They hold on tight, all through the night, but there's no more fun, and they each blame the other one

Now they want to break free, cause there's the whole world to see, and they leave behind, what they worked so hard to find

Yeah, the story gets told, but it's sounding so old, just goes on and on, they're here then they're gone

Chorus

Cause time has no beginning, and it never really ends, history, just goes on and on

And when some things get broken, they never really mend, you can leave if you like but you'll never, ever be gone

Sometimes I try to remember, sometimes I try to forget, bout the distance from where we once were to where we are

The young are defined by their future, the old are defined by their debt, and they both race through time like they're riding, a shooting star

Everyone's gone, to the bar downtown, I waited for you, I waited around

Everyone said, that you wouldn't show, I didn't believe them, but I just didn't know

What you'd been thinking, this last little while, behind your tired eyes, and your far away smile

But if you added the good times, and subtracted the bad, you'd know it was worth it, the years that we had

Repeat Chorus

Yeah, the starry-eyed pair, so handsome and fair, fueled by their youth, and the pursuit of the truth

But time makes its demands, and they do what they can, they play out their roles, till they find they've grown old

Now they're supposed to be wise, with aged eyes, but they still feel like kids, trying to explain what they did

...or like children who try, to understand why

Shopping Malls

If you ever go to shopping malls, you watch all the people there
Buying new designer jeans, a product to puff up their hair
Listen to the local high school band, maybe get your fortune read
You buy some nuts and you watch the kids, smoking their first cigarettes
You walk by the mall cinema, no it don't look like nothing's on
Take a stroll through the record store, what's the name of that song?
Check out the magazine rack, maybe buy a paperback
Top it off with an ice cream cone, find the car, let's go home

Talking about suburban shopping malls
Everything you'd ever want, they've got it all
What a way to kill some time, just strolling from stall to stall
You and the one you love in your suburban shopping mall
... You and the one you love in your suburban shopping mall

Silent Sighs

Chasing the tail of what won't last long
The latest trinket, here and gone
The time flies by in the blink of an eye
Waiting for the next big thing to come along
But it's already here, right by your side
A child's innocence seen through an old man's eyes
All the sweet, mystic moments passing by on this road that we all ride

Chorus

A kind word, a smile
A touch, a helping hand
All the days and all the ways
I could've been a better man
And all the ways I could have tried
To wipe away the tears you cried
And all the forever goodbyes
All the lost moments I let pass by
I carry them here in my heart with all these unanswered whys

I always thought getting old would take a lot longer
But the days they come and they go so fast while the memories they keep getting stronger
A simple smile, a simple word, a silence shared, a love returned
All the sweet mystic moments in this old world while that forever wishing wheel it turns

Repeat Chorus

...and these silent sighs

Silent Whispers

The answers were easy till the questions got hard
The future was a promise till the light grew dark
They said goodbye under a lonely sky of lightless stars
And walked away with the scars
That live inside a broken heart

If he saw her today he wouldn't know what to say
All the unspoken words would just get in the way
Of "remember when" and "I hope you're doing OK"
Cause the bridges got burned with flames of blame
Till forever became never, again

Chorus

Somewhere between
Here and there and where he's been
What he doesn't want to know and what he can't stop seeing
Are those silent whispers that grow louder in his dreams
Trying to find some kind of peace between what was and what'll never be

Bridge

The leaves fall from the trees that line the rain covered lanes
Where they once walked together
It all looks the same but everything it changed
When now couldn't find the way to forever

Repeat Chorus 2X

Slipping Away

The darkness falls, on my twilight prayer
The lights come on and find the shadows, there's more and more of them, they're everywhere
I watch, and I wait and I worry, and I don't know what to say
The words that were once so easy are now just slipping away

Warm summer evenings, sweet summer air
The future used to be easy, it was everywhere
When no one was too far gone and no one had lost their way
And the never-ending forever wasn't slipping away

Chorus

Slipping away, as yesterday's tomorrows become todays
Here and gone, cause time it'll always have its way
While those young rainbow colours, turn to shades of gray
And through my fumbling fingers, the days keep slipping away

I stand by the bed, I hold her hand
I pray for some wisdom, for the strength to understand
For the words that'll bring some peace
For the touch that'll say it'll be OK
While I stand in this helpless silence
And watch her slip away

Repeat Chorus

...yeah through my fumbling fingers
The reasons and the dreams
The what might have beens
The joy and the tears
And the disappearing years
Are slipping away

Smile And Nod

Get up in the morning, get on the train
Get in line to do it all over again
Smile and nod, say the right thing
Follow the script, the carrot, the next best thing

Time keeps on moving, but time gets lost
Staying safe might seem safe 'til you add up the cost
How much for a moment, how much for a day
What's the price of all the years that slipped away

Chorus

The clock keeps watch, the alarm it sounds
Same time different day, round and round
Radio plays yesterday's hit parade soundtrack of your life
And every moment you let slip away

You do it for the money, you do it for the show
You do it for as long as you can 'til you can't let go
You smile and you nod, the contract's complete
You traded your dreams for a warm place to sleep

Chorus – 2X

Repeat 1st Verse

So Many Sides

Chorus

Two sides to every story
Two sides to every tale
Two sides the gulf is getting so wide
Two sides...

One sees one thing, the other sees another
They both see what they need to believe
Left and right, up and down
Here and there and everywhere the truth goes round and round ...cause there's...

Repeat Chorus

One says, the north wind blows from the south
The other says, the east wind blows from the west
Right and wrong go round and round, the truth lives at the lost and found
Everyone's aggrieved, everyone feels deceived
No one forgives, no one wants to cross that bridge
From the land of vanity to the land of humility
From the land of take and break to the land that only love can make
From the land of I, Me, Mine to the land that only love can find
Cause there's...

Chorus – 2

So many sides to every story
So many sides to every tale
So many sides the gulf is getting so wide
So many sides, So many sides, So many sides

So Near Yet So Far

I wish you could see, what you look like to me,
Underneath these stars, so near yet so far
Why do we wander the same old ground
Searching for answers that we've already found
Did I lose you, did you lose me
Did our time get lost in eternity
The lessons get harder, but they must be learned
We played with fire until we got burned...so I've

Chorus

I think of you and I don't know what to do
Nothing works any more, it would seem that we've closed every door
All the things we've been through, the things we learned, the things we already knew
And all your pretty ways, I'll keep them with mine, for the rest of my days

Repeat Chorus

They saw each other, in a cosmic glow,
They dreamed in colour and rode the rainbow
But they forgot to be humble in their arrogant love
They forgot to forgive, a push breeds a shove
And they saw what they missed, just before the fall
It's rock n roll till you hit that wall
So I've thrown away my reasons, my gold and my greed
All that's left is these prayers, but they're all that I'll need

Repeat Chorus

... I wish you could see, what you look like to me,
Underneath these stars, so near yet so far

Some Old Dog

So many I've known have come and gone
I've lost them to the ways the world can go wrong
Lost them to the years and time's shifting tides
I lost them and it hurt, but I never cried

Sometimes they come to see me in my dreams
Where the then and the now touch the great in between
But a dream is just a dream when I wake up it dies
They're gone again and it hurts, but I never cry

Chorus

Till some old dog, comes along
He's all alone, he doesn't know where he belongs
He's got a limp and a scar and eyes half blind
He can't keep up and gets left behind
And the/your tears they come like a broken down dam
For some old dog and all the things I'll/you'll never, understand...
...just some old dog...

There's all the ways that life can leave you broken inside
And all the ways you keep running from what used to be your pride
All the times you failed and all the times you tried
And all the times you got hurt, but you never cried

Repeat Chorus 2X

...and years of unshed tears...
...for some old dog...
...for some old dog...

Some Old Song

Passing through, moving on, one more time, one more song
One more goodbye
The day to day, it comes and goes, the rain it falls and the river flows
Till the sun it shines again in that bright blue sky
Here, there and everywhere, the morning news, the nighttime prayers
Turn around, round and round again
Till the radio plays some old song three minutes doesn't last long
From a moment (time) you thought would never end

Chorus

Look into your eyes you're not here
You're deep inside some old song's house of mirrors
Where the distance between now and then disappears
Yeah, those long gone years they're closer than they appear

Springtime promise, autumn leaves, winter snow, summer breeze
Seasons change, they're here then they're gone
Out of step, out of line, out of order, falling behind
But right in time with some old song

Repeat Chorus

...yeah, those long gone years they're closer than they appear
...and the ones long gone are closer than they appear

Someday

The other side of someday
The other side of why
The other side of too late
The other side of goodbye
Where dreamers dream and the prayerful pray
For a forever that will never end
For some kind of peace with a memory
That lives in the land of never again

Chorus

The watching and the waiting through the hope and the fear
For the promise of someday to break through
The what was and what will be carried through the years
Watching and waiting here with you

Don't think about the last time
Don't sing that sad song anymore
Yeah, the bridges got burned, the lessons got learned
But time's waves will still find that someday shore
Among all that was lost and what was never found
In the great unknown of nevermore
Among the echoes of echoes of that dust to dust sound
Someday's there with the why and the wherefore

Repeat Chorus

...Under the shadow of all we've been through
...Watching and waiting

Someone You Used To Know

If I see you on the street sometime
And I seem lost for words to say
Well it's just the surprise, when I look in your eyes
And find that you're not going my way

When all that's left is memories
Of a love we thought would always grow
Well you can understand, how there's not much to say
To someone that you used to know

Chorus

And everything looks different
When you're all alone at night
And you, you seem to be smiling
Cause you're doing what you think is right
And me, I can be accused of living too slow
I do too much thinking about someone that I used to know

You can sing and you can waltz and you can clap your hands
And you can jump straight up in the air
You can live out your dreams, 'til there's nothing left
And maybe, it'll get you somewhere

When all you want, is what I don't have
All I can do is let you go
But you can understand, how there's not much to say
To someone that you used to know

Repeat Chorus

Something More

The more you see, the more you've been shown
The more you know it's true
There's something more, some reason for
These days we're all passing through

Some unseen hand outside this world of man
Some mystical mystery
A guiding light through those dark nights
We know and feel but can't see

Chorus

It's there sometimes in a loved one's smile
A road not taken for reasons unknown
A whispered word, grace and mercy observed
The beauty of a humble soul

The more you've been shown, the more you know
There's something greater in that great beyond
Outside this world of man, our feeble minds will never understand
A place where our souls belong

Repeat Chorus

The wisdom of a truth so old
The memory of all the love that you've known

Sometimes

Everything we believed in was the product of hype
And we responded as predicted, according to type

The beaten, drugged and drunk are dragged from the coliseum
Mumbling bout their rights and their loss of freedom

We worship at the alter of celebrity
The saints are canonized on our tv

But the old man's returned from the danger zone
He's here to let you know your not so alone...and he says...

Chorus 1

Sometimes it's all so beautiful, the sun in the trees, the stars so high
Sometimes it's all so beautiful, like a christmas eve child watching a christmas eve sky

Cynicism, sarcasm and irony
Survival tools for the end of the century

With your prozac and your pornography
You can make the world whatever you want it to be

Chorus 2

Sometimes it's all so beautiful, like coming home to the one you love
Sometimes it's all so beautiful, like watching the hawk lay down with the dove
Sometimes it's all so beautiful, the moon shining down on a midnight ride
Sometimes it's all so beautiful, like your favourite dream, the one you climb inside
Sometimes it's all so beautiful, like all of the diamonds sparkling on the sea
Sometimes it's all so beautiful, like an answered prayer, another reason to believe
...like knowing you're exactly where you want to be

Sometimes Nobody Knows

The snow it falls on the silent trees
Where once the sun shone on summer leaves
And believing was as easy as wanting to believe
As easy as seeing only what you want to see

The flame has died but the embers burn
On this cold winter night as I search for the right words
The heart grows heavy carrying all that its' learned
All that its' lost, no reply, no return

Chorus

Sometimes, nobody says what everybody knows
Sometimes, the story goes on after the curtains close
Sometimes, that silent winter sound is all you want to know
When some times, are so long gone but they don't seem so long ago
...and nobody knows, where they go

The snow it slows and the night sky grows clear
The stars seem close but they're light years from here
The dream seems real 'til it disappears
Fading with what's left of love's souvenirs

Repeat Chorus

...those long gone, long ago's
...nobody knows

Songs Of Peace And Love

Those songs of peace and love, just some foolish hippie dream
Cause we're fighting in the streets now and fighting on our computer screens
We tune into what we want to hear in this echo chamber land
Shut out what we don't want to know, what we don't want to try to understand

Those songs of peace and love, we used to sing them around here
But we're all so much smarter now, traded hippie dreams for greed and fear
Got the tough talk and walk, yeah it's us or it's them
We burn with what we never learn, so it just goes round and round and round again
...but

Chorus

Those songs of peace and love, they still echo in your mind
And they leave you a little sad when they echo in these troubled times
“Where Do The Children Play”, “Who'll Stop The Rain”
“Where Have All The Flowers Gone”, the questions they come round again
And history repeats, the lessons never end, and the answer's still blowing in the wind
...the answer's still blowing in the wind

Those songs of peace and love they used to play on the radio
A long time ago but they're still playing in your soul
Those hate fueled fires are getting higher, the right and left are wagin' war
This land might be your land but you don't recognize it anymore

Repeat Chorus

...the answer's still blowing in the wind

Spin And Twist

She cared for the sick, she fed the poor
Walked with the blind and helped them to see
She comforted the old while the word went 'round
She was only doing it for the money

He knew the horror, the human cost
He worked to find the common ground
He tried to make peace, they said he was weak
He could've and he should've been tough and just taken them down

Chorus

Spin and twist, make the story fit
Assumptions and motives, applied and believed
Twist and spin, the scales are broken but the judgement's in
One more look at me money grubbin', power hungry wannabe

It's 2000 years, the story's still told
'bout the carpenter from Nazareth
Tried to teach a better way, faith hope and love a brand new day
They said he was a blaspheming insurrectionist

Repeat Chorus

...set 'em up, then knock 'em down, twist the truth 'til it makes the right sound
Twist and spin, 'til the word goes round
Kick the good out of the light, keep the darkness in the night
Spin and twist, 'til the story gets right
...spin and twist, 'til the story gets right

She cared for the sick, she fed the poor
Walked with the blind and helped them to see

St. Brigid's Well

I sit by St. Brigid's well, I hear the pilgrim plea
If it be your will Lord, let it be
St. Brigid please intercede

A picture, a medal, a lock of hair
She leaves these here, with an anguished prayer
For a loved one in need, a life she wants spared
St. Brigid she's down on her knees, she's begging you please

Chorus

St. Brigid hear my prayer, wipe my eyes that I might see
Bless my request with water from your stream
Give me strength to let it go, if my plea is not to be
I pray to you St. Brigid, please pray for me

St. Brigid he's lost, he's running out of time
This world's going so fast and he's falling behind
Broken dreams, slipping away
All that's left are these prayers, and he prays them everyday
St. Brigid he's losing his way, And I hear him say

Repeat Chorus

...I sit by St. Brigid's well, I hear the pilgrim plea
If it be your will Lord, let it be
St. Brigid please intercede

Stay With Me

If I call now, will you come to me
Will you hold my hand, when I dream
Will you stay with me, all night long
Will you stay and sing, just one more song

Why do you feel you have to go out there
It's a crazy world you know it makes me scared
When nobody knows you, nobody cares
It's a crazy world you know it makes me scared

Chorus

I can see the street from this window
See those poor lost souls, trying to get home
I can see them standing in line forever
Trying to get somewhere where they won't feel so alone
They run for the bars, in their cars, for the lights and the side show
Where they look for a sign, that will tell them which way to go
They dance for the sex, for the drugs, for the rock and roll
See those poor lost souls, still trying to get home

Why do you feel you have to go out there
It's a crazy world you know it makes me scared
When nobody knows you, nobody cares
It's a crazy world, you know it makes me scared

If I call now, will you come to me
Will you hold my hand, when I dream
Will you stay with me, all night long
Will you stay and sing, just one more song
Will you stay and sing, just one more song

Steinbeck's Guitar

The man brings his guitar out as the twilight turns to night
He sits down by the fire and starts to play
His listeners draw in slowly to a circle 'round the light
And each one feels some sadness slip away

The melody runs along like little footsteps on the strings
While heavy fingers march along the frets
The bass notes beat the rhythm while a deep voice softly sings
Another lonesome ballad of regrets

Chorus

Steinbeck's guitar
Tells a thousand stories from afar
Of weary souls out on a dusty road
Wondering do they really walk alone

The night is getting older and the man stands with a yawn
His fingers stop and silence every string
And as they bid goodnight each wish they too could pick guitar
Because it is a gracious thing

Repeat Chorus

...the weary souls out on a dusty road
Wonder if they really walk alone

Summer Side Of PEI

Chorus

On the summer side of PEI, heading for Charlottetown
The tide is high where the water meets the sky and the sun is shining down
There's Stompin' Tom from Skinners Pond and Anne Of Green Gables
Red dust on the car tells you where you are along with miles and miles of potatoes

I've come 1,000 miles from Toronto, but I'm not alone
The one that I love is with me and where she is that's my home
I'm only here a few days, then I'll be moving on
Heading for Halifax, Fredericton and St. John's

Repeat Chorus

The air is clean, it smells of the sea and the sun is going down
But the night is warm as the travellers stroll through the streets of Charlottetown
When the winters get cold with lots of snow, I'm probably better off in Toronto
But the summer side of PEI is where I want to be right now

Repeat Chorus

...there's Stompin' Tom from Skinners Pond and Anne Of Green Gables
And there goes Bud The Spud from the bright red mud with another big load of
potatoes

Sunny Days

Sunny days done in blues and greens
Sunny days for my palace queen
Sunny days with nothing to do
Sunny days for me and you

Well it's time off with nowhere to go
Let's climb aboard and we'll go with the flow
I'll take the wheel and you can lean o'er the side
Make a wish and we can go for a ride

You can close your eyes and capture the light
Close your eyes and save your sight
For the starry darkness, the promised night
The promised mystery that makes it right

The cars run wild between the lines
Radio music from another time
Yesterday's heroes are sounding tired tonight
But it's OK, the song it still feels right

Just for a moment there's no now and then
No right and wrong, no beginning or end
Sunny days done in blues and greens
Sunny days for my palace queen

We turn our faces to the golden sky
We trade no more questions, only reasons why

Lost on the beach, we're so far from home
We feel so warm, we know we're not alone
Sunny days done in blues and greens
Sunny days for my palace queen

Surrender

Surrender... 3X

What I have is not my own, just passing through on my way home
I walk this lonely road but I'm not alone
One day at a time, through the rain through the sunshine
You never know what you might find

Surrender... 3X

I fought for what I got, what I wanted I thought
I don't want to think about what I lost
Let it go let it be gone, wrong road, wrong song
Feeling so much better moving on

Surrender... 3X

If I don't want what I don't need, I'm a rich man indeed
Freed from a prison of greed
When my story's been told, in the end the only gold I'll hold
Is the love that's in my heart, and the peace in my soul

Surrender... 3X

Survivors

I saw you across the street, maybe I should have smiled, maybe I should have waved

Like one survivor to another from those good old, bad old days

I saw you across the street, but I just drove on, I drove away

From all the unspoken words that can't be unheard and what's left of all the reasons for nothing left to say

Chorus

Now my eyes won't leave the road, my hands won't let go of this wheel
Cause I'm trying to keep ahead of what I left behind what I don't want to remember, what I don't want to feel

Yeah my eyes won't leave the road, my hands won't let go of this wheel
Cause I'm trying to keep ahead what I left behind, trying to find my way to something that time can't steal

Have you ever stayed out of sight 'cause you know there's no way you can make things right

Have you ever stayed up all night searching in the darkness for some kind of light

Repeat Chorus – 2X

Swan Song

Saw you walking in the garden, the breeze was blowing in your hair
You looked my way but you looked right through me
It's like I was never there

Is that what its all come down to, after all the years that we shared
Guess you've got some things to think about
Besides a memory that goes nowhere

Got in the car turned the radio on, hit the gas, hit the road
Makes me feel like I'm movin'
Maybe running away, I don't know

Chorus

I lost you in Eden, we had it all but we wanted more
While the children played, we drifted away
We both lost sight of the shore
Well I blamed you, you blamed me
We broke the spell now those years are gone
All that remains is this sad refrain
One more refugee singing his swan song

Well here's to what I thought I wanted and what you never knew you had
And all the times I held you
Before the times they got so bad

The sun it rises in the morning, the stars they float in the evening sky
Everything in its time and its place
But you're not here with me tonight

Repeat Chorus

Sweet Little Nothings

The sweet little moments they find you, in the little things you see and do
In the middle of something, the middle of nothing they come out of nowhere, out of the blue
Between the worries, the shades of gray, the demands of the day to day
Those sweet little nothings they find you, precious little moments you'll remember when the day is through

A friend's kind word, the touch of a hand, a simple smile, a knowing glance
The sound of the rain on a quiet afternoon, the sun, breaking through
A child's, innocent laugh, an old man looking at an old photograph
A tear in his eye, a smile on his face for a sweet little nothing from another time and place

Chorus

All those sweet little nothings I remember
I don't know why
They live somewhere deep in my heart and in the back of my mind
Little somethings, little nothings, that never got left behind
Just a minute, just a moment, just a little piece of time

The hard times come, their shadows are long and they'll colour so much of what'll come along
What once felt right, can feel so wrong, those hard times come, feel like they'll never be gone
Still the simple sweet moments, they find their way, into the broken heart, the difficult days
A child's laugh, the touch of a hand, a smile and a tear in the eyes of an old man

Repeat Chorus

...all those sweet little nothings that live somewhere, deep in your heart, and in the back of your mind
...sweet little nothings in time

Sweet Memory

A perfect day, beautiful, the future was hers, the cup was full
With every reason, under the sun, the picture's proof, once she was young

Chorus

Sweet memory, secured and sealed, she doesn't want to touch it, might not be real
Rose coloured replay, all the best, she remembers what she can live with, re-writes
the rest ...and burys what's left

Now her next times, are running out, she fights the fear, lives with the doubt
She burns the bridges, she lets them go, There's so many things, she doesn't want
to know

Repeat Chorus

Repeat Chorus

...a black and white picture, a simple song, long time ago, long time gone

Teddy Pulls Him Along

Some days he's got a thousand thoughts, he'll share them with anyone who stops to talk

Some days he just wants to walk alone

Some days he knows where he's going, he'll follow that wind whichever way it's blowin'

Some days he just wanders around, 'til he wanders home

Some days he lets his dog, Teddy lead the way, 'cause he gets stuck in a memory and can't turn the page

Lost in a dream he doesn't want to end

The neighbours see him out in the snow and the rain, he knows what they're thinking, he knows what they say

That crazy old man's out walking with his dog again

Chorus

Teddy pulls him along

He hums some old 1960's radio song

He used to sing when the nights were like some magic dream

You could see the shadows dancing in the magic of the moonbeams

And the girls were so pretty, their eyes held everything you'd ever need

The future was a promise – everything you'd ever want it to be

But Teddy stops and the moment's gone

Most of his friends have passed away, left him here alone on these winter days

He stops to rest on a bench in the park

Memories might be sweet but they can't keep him warm, the cold in his bones warns of coming storms

He's gotta keep moving before it gets way too dark

The now becomes old, the old becomes new, he's seen the wheel go 'round more than a time or two

Through seasons of plenty, seasons of pain

What's done is done, it's time he knows, he scratches Teddy's ear, says c'mon let's go

And that crazy old man goes walking with his dog again

Repeat Chorus

Ten Reasons

Reason number one was the disappearing sun and the gray that coloured so much of what we'd become

Reason number two was we forgot the love we knew that carried us together through everything we'd been through

Reason number three was the long gone used to be, when the world was young and young was what we'd always be

Reason number four was the sound of the closing door and the feeling like there wasn't anything left anymore

Chorus

There's ten reasons to leave and only one to stay

But it's all I need when I look in your eyes and the years fall away

And I hear the unspoken words only a true love could say

They make the good out of the bad and find a way through the gray

And all the reasons to leave, they leave me one more time again today

Reason number five was all the times we tried to hide the tears that the years had made us cry

Reasons six and seven were the wounding weapons of love's hard lessons and the unanswered questions

Reasons eight and nine were the words unkind that can't be taken back and can't be left behind

Reason number ten made me wonder again, again and again, why this wondering never ends

Repeat Chorus

...Yeah, ten reasons to leave and only one to stay

But it's all I need when I look in your eyes and the years fall away

It was love that brought us here and only love knows the way

Through the good and the bad, the black and white and the gray

And all the reasons to leave, they leave me one more time again today

... all the reasons to leave, they leave me one more time again today

Thank You

Thank you for the love that I know must be blind, thank you for the good and hard times

Thank you for the winter snow, the summer rain, thank you, for forgiving, me again, and again

Thank you for the days that make up the years, the chance, choice and fate that brought me here

All the lonely times when I know I'm not alone, with all my trying, my denying, on my mystifying way back home

Chorus

Thank you for the shock of coming face to face with what I've known all along

Thank you for the price of the day to day, all the time, that's come and gone

Thank you for the tears the fears, the broken years, I know they'll follow me wherever I go

The broken signs, all the broken times, all the reasons I'll never know

Thank you for the rose coloured memories, I won't have to live with what I've been

Thank you for the dreams that will never come true, they keep me coming, back to you, for the help I'll need to see it all through

Repeat Chorus

...thank you for the price I pay for everything I've ever done and all, I'll ever do

...all the broken dreams, the what might've beens that keep me coming back to you

...they keep me coming back to you, they keep me coming back to you

That Day I Could Fly

I stand on the edge, I wave goodbye
I'm off to find my way, back to that day I could fly

Sandcastle summer, the sea, the sun, the sky
You were with me, on that day I could fly

Chorus 1 - The seasons change, the seasons collide
It was the season of plenty on that day I could fly

Fighting the current, on this river of whys
I found all my answers, on that day I could fly

Crossing over, that bridge of sighs
The prisoner was set free, on that day I could fly

Chorus 2 – Through the shadows of darkness, we're on this earthbound ride
But the sun shone down, on that day I could fly

The minutes, months, the years, they're slippin' by
But time stood still, on that day I could fly

That Hole In Your Soul

The times you want to remember
The times you can't forget
All the burning embers
Of the times that aren't gone yet
From this side of someday
To the other side of now
From too soon to too late
To what memory will allow

Chorus

There's a hole deep in your soul
You try to fill it as you follow your way home
With someday dreams and schemes, the broken, borrowed and blue
With the ways the days pass by with all those things you did and didn't do
With the ways your black and white turn to shades of gray you can't see through
Til you finally learn, what you always knew

It's only love that will fill that hole, it's only love that can heal your soul
The more you love, the more you'll feel, the more you'll hurt but the more you'll heal
That hole deep in your soul
The love you give, the love you've known
The same love that's going to take you home
And heal, that hole in your soul
As you follow that final road back home

That Lies Getting Old

I went down to the loading station to get myself a ride
I was running from a reputation I had built on greed and pride
The border man said where you going boy, noone said you could leave
I said I'm sick of fear, I'm getting out of here, I'm losing my faith in what I believe

Chorus

The devil says I got what you need, your ecstasy will set you free
But that lies getting old, there's nothing here for me

She said why don't you want me, I said I can't pay the price
She said I could make it easy, I could make it nice
I said once I might have been tempted, But now I got some place to go
She says if you got the time baby, I got the honey and no one needs to know

Repeat Chorus

I was broke, I was tired, At the crossroads of eternity
The man said boy I'll give you a song I'll make you rich and free
I'll trade you your soul for some silver & gold, a rock n roll fantasy
I said no thank you sir, I'll stay the course, I'll be a rock n roll refugee

Repeat Chorus

That Lightfoot Sound

A fifteen year old kid with a guitar and a dream
Trying to find a way to make that Lightfoot sound
That feels like the great Canadian northland
In a small Ontario town

Trying to find that Lightfoot rhythm and melody
The kind of rhyme that only he could write
Bout ships, trains 'n planes, the Early Morning Rain, a lonely love Looking At The Rain
A Song For A Winter's Night

Chorus

Summer Side Of Life, Summertime Dream, Shadows, Sundown
Don Quixote, Dream Street Rose, Go Go Round, Alberta Bound
Sit Down Young Stranger, Go My Way, Carefree Highway
Did She Mention My Name, Old Dan's Records/Lightfoot's records, let's play them again and again and again

The snow it falls, the wind it blows, the night is dark and the streets are cold
A Painter Passing Through this Circle Of Steel
From sea to sea, across this mighty land, from the eastern shore to the western strand
Through the forests, too silent to be real
That voice, that sound, that's The Way I Feel

Repeat Chorus

...That 15 year old kid, he's over 50
Still got his guitar, still trying to find that Lightfoot sound
That feels like the great Canadian northland
In a small, Ontario town

That Part Of Me Is Gone

A little house in a little town, down by the sea
Days were golden, nights were warm and fires, they burned on the beach
All the right words, at the right time, all those sweet, summer songs
I don't remember them anymore, that part of me is gone

On the right side of summer, no regrets, not yet
It was easy to be easy and still easy to forgive and forget
Careless days, careless ways, careless with the right and the wrong
All the careless innocence, that part of me is gone

Chorus

Once I thought, no lines would be crossed
I'd stay on the right side of wrong
No promises broken, no truth left unspoken
I'd know where and when and how to be strong

I didn't have a dime but I had all the time I would need
The sun, the moon, the stars would shine, the future was wide open and free
Everywhere, everyway, everyday a brand new dawn
It doesn't matter anymore, that part of me is gone

Repeat Chorus

...once I thought, no cause would be lost
The light of love would shine on and on
Once I thought, no lines would be crossed
But that part of me is gone
That part of me is gone

That Silent Sadness

The roller coaster ride, the fun house slide, the carousel, the midway lights, the perfect night that ended the perfect day

The stars were in line, the future would be kind, the music played the soulful rhymes that made right out of the wrong, and made everything OK

Flying high, feet on the ground, the centre of the world in a little town, the day to day it went round and round the beauty, the magic and the mystery

Of that summer sun so warm and bright and that winter snow sparkling in the moonlight and the diamonds in the sky reflected in your eyes and the promise of what would be

Chorus

But now [And] that silent sadness it finds you

Riding on memory's wind

And that silent sadness reminds you of what slipped away and what time can't mend

And that silent sadness it follows you

Sometimes you welcome it like an old friend

Cause it keeps you close to what's been gone so long and what you know you'll never know again

The midway's shut down, the carnival's left town and the day to day it goes round and round and it wears away at the beauty, the magic and the mystery

Of that summer sun so warm and bright and that winter snow sparkling in the moonlight and the diamonds in the sky reflected in your eyes and the promise of what would be

Repeat Chorus

That Wheel Is Going To Turn

Chorus

That wheel is going to turn, it always does
The here and the now, become the what was
The winds are going to change, it's in the air
You know it's coming, you can feel it everywhere

I see it in your eyes
I hear it in your prayers
The veil is getting thinner
Between here and there
You make your peace
With who you've been and what you've known
Farewell, goodbye, nothing left now but the letting go

Repeat Chorus

Our why's they wait for wisdom
As the changes come so fast
The left behind live on
Watching what once was the future become the past
Fumbling and stumbling
For the right words but words can't say
What the heart it holds and the soul it knows
In this world of shadows and shades of gray
I know you'll be OK
As your prayers carry you away

Repeat Chorus

That Wistful Winter Sadness

Late night walk, in the quiet, winter cold
Just the silent sound of the falling snow
The streetlight shadows find him again
That wintertime sadness feels like an old friend
That wistful winter sadness...

Nothing left to be said, nothing left to be done
The end of the day, night time shadows have come
The last light of twilight finds him again
And that wintertime sadness feels like an old friend
That wistful winter sadness...

Chorus

Wrapped in memory's shadow, a distant long ago
Under a winter moon, an ice crystal halo
A single set of footprints, in the falling snow
That wintertime sadness, it comes and it goes
...that wistful winter sadness

A candle in the window, a light in the falling snow
A beacon to the weary, calling him home
From a late night walk in the winter cold
And the quiet sound of the falling snow
And that wintertime sadness, that's deep in his soul
That wistful winter sadness

Repeat Chorus

...that wintertime sadness, it comes and it goes
...that wistful winter sadness

That's The Way It Works

A prisoner of amnesia, he lived on milk of magnesia,
Cause every time he fell in love his heart would burn
Satiated but unsatisfied, dancing to the sound of lies
A secret he was never strong enough to learn
He carried all the confidence of someone who had never felt the pain
Or had to choose when there wasn't any choice
I woke up from this dream, I just missed remembering,
While the echo spoke with a hypnotist's voice

Chorus

Everything is mixed up, but everyone shares the blame
We're saints and sinners lost in a limbo world
I'd feel sorry for you baby, but that's a loser's game
Pity is a poison that you don't want to carry girl
What happens to one of us, happens to both of us,
You get tangled up and sometimes it hurts
The more you give and the less you take, the more you'll get out of the love you make
It sounds so simple but that's the way it works
... It sounds so simple but that's the way it works

The cock crowed three times, I couldn't stop myself from fighting back,
I say you're not bad, but you're sure lost
I breath in, I phase out, it's a fine world there's no doubt
But even numbness comes with a cost
Great big bodies, with little wee brains
Bouncing off each other, trying to keep warm
They fumble around, while they're going down
Love takes so many different forms

Repeat Chorus

The Angels

You stumble, you fall, there's a helping hand
You need strength and courage, there's someone there to help you take a stand
You feel like a stranger someone comes along, who makes you feel like you belong
And sometimes you don't even know they've been there, until after they've gone

Chorus

The angels are everywhere
They're in the clouds somewhere between here and there
They've been with you through all your right and your wrong
The here and the gone
Waiting

Who they are you don't know, there's so much you'll never understand
Eternal celestial beings, intermediaries between God and man
Here, there and everywhere, you know you're not alone
They're watching with the passed on souls you've known, waiting for you to come home

Repeat Chorus

...guiding, guarding and waiting

The Beat Of Babylon

Revenge, it feeds on corpses, with the intensity of the insane
What was it that she was thinking, memories are meant to fade
But there's a fatal woman for every man, Adam and Eve must take their fall
He ended up living on the outside, feeding on his hatred and his alcohol
A mouth full of platitudes, a new age brain, a modern religion for the feeble mind
The maharishi never had the answer, the party ended when the mirror grew unkind

Chorus

What we going to eat, where we going to sleep, what we going to wear, who's going to care
Lies get told, people grow old, the days march on to the beat of Babylon

The faded picture told a sad old story, one more tired expose
The truth gets lost in the explanation, the words don't mean what they're trying to say
She kept waiting for her friends to call, but her only visitor was the past
He never felt like he was in a race, he only knew that he loved to run fast

Repeat Chorus

Bridge

With pride as my guide I couldn't find my way
But it's when you're lost that you learn to pray
The eternal ages, they watch and they wait
For us to show just a little faith

The Bells

Bells are ringing cross the land, keeping time with the peace love band
And Johnny's still singing love is all you need, to a word getting tired of ego and greed

Hear them bells its time to come home, from Berlin to Paris, London and Rome
Open your heart, forget your mind, your false idols, your phony shrines

The notes, the melody, the dancing' strings, from New York to LA and New Orleans
Leaving this world, heading for the stars, with a message of love for Jupiter and Mars

Bells are ringing for the truth, the strings, the tambourine, the flute
Peace train's coming better get on board, with the Prince Of Peace and the troubadours

What are we worrying about the answer's clear, from Vancouver to Montreal, Halifax to
hear
A brand new day, a brand new song, when you feel the spirit just sing along

The Broken Spell

You came to meet me, down by the river
You had grown tired of the fair
And I was waiting for tomorrow
To make sense of all the reasons we were there

The spell had been broken, nothing left but the unspoken
From now to forever, had become too far
And what once would never change, now would never be the same
Dreaming is easy, 'til the road gets hard

Chorus

And in between all the times I really tried
Came all the nights you laid awake and cried
While we searched for the reasons we once knew
Through the ashes of the fires that we'd been through
Even wise men are wrong now and then
Even a fool knows when he's come to the end

In a whisper you said to me
The innocence, it's gone
The line's been crossed, the bridge's burned
We're strangers now, where we once belonged

I turned away, I had nothing to say
Here so far beyond the beginning of the end
When the spell gets broken, there's so many words better left unspoken
As forever becomes, the never again

Repeat Chorus

The Child Inside Your Soul

Now you know how it feels
Time's wheel it gets so real
Round and round, on and on, day to night, dusk to dawn
Til the future where you once belonged is almost gone

The heart gets hurt and it gets changed
Space and time they get rearranged
Onward through the fog and haze that makes up the day to day
While the black and white of wrong and right turn grey

Chorus

The body gets slow, the mind it rides on memory's road
While you learn you got to let go of what you'll never hold
But somewhere in your soul is that child that never grows old
Who's seen and known everything that you've been shown
He came here with you and he'll leave with you when you go
And he'll fly with you, when it's time to go home

The old man with his memories
They live with his might have beens and colour everything he sees
Round and round, on and on, day to night, dusk to dawn
Til the future where he once belonged is almost gone

Repeat Chorus

...yeah, that child in you that never grows old
...he'll free fly with you when it's time to go home

The Circle Never Ends

A brand new kid in a brand new town, he felt like something out of the lost and found

Til he got a guitar made a brand new sound, felt like he'd found a way to break out of that one way town

A drum, a bass, a soaring lead, on the back of a flatbed in the middle of the street
A hometown hero he won a hometown girl who showed him all the secrets of the boy girl world

Chorus

And the circle goes round and round and round again

Round and round and round and round again

...the circle never ends

A brand new baby, mouths to be fed, he works all day, comes home and goes to bed

Does the best he can to make ends meet, same time up and down the same old streets

Falling apart on the side of the road, is that old flatbed stage where he played those notes

That carried him away to that other place, somewhere in-between time and space

Repeat Chorus

Sometimes at night he picks up that old guitar, the strings don't ring and the body's scarred

But he plays a few notes and he closes his eyes and he can almost touch the music that took him for that ride

While off in the shadows young eyes want to know, what that magic feels like to touch and to hold

He knows the kid's there and he says come here, says you gotta hold it close like this before it disappears

Yeah, you gotta hold it close before it all disappears

Repeat Chorus

...Round and round and round and round again

...Round and round and round and round again

The Circle Of Time

Springtime's promise he knew it well
He threw a coin in the wishing well
Some came true and some fell through
And some he wished he never knew
...be careful what you dream, cause they might come true

Summer came and the time went fast
The days were long but they didn't last
That sweet summer breeze was everywhere
But a hint of fall was in the air
...a hint of fall was waiting there

Chorus

Springtime dreams, summertime wine
Autumn gold and a wintertime sky
He's seen them come and go, like an ever-changing four line rhyme
Springtime's promise, summertime's end
The last dance of autumn, one more time again
He knows winter so well when it comes it feels like an old friend
...and he rides the carousel of time one more time again

The autumn leaves they turn to gold
The days are getting short, the nights are getting cold
He shuts the window and he closes the blind
He tries to make peace with what he left behind
...a peace someday he hopes he'll find

Winter snow it blankets the ground
His tracks are covered by the silent sound
Of the minutes, the months, the years passing by
Footprints in the snow, like those sands of time
...they're here and they're gone in the blink of an eye

Repeat Chorus

...yeah that circle of time, one more time again

The Circus Is Back In Town

The night lights and the wine, the circus is back in town
It passes the time, 'til what we threw away stops following me around
Escape and distraction on a revelry ride, with all my new best friends on a
funhouse high
The night lights and the wine, the circus is back in town

The dream that was our future, we never made into a memory
The gulf it grew so wide, between who I was and who you wanted me to be
Now the circus is back in town, the rides will take you high but you'll have to pay
when you come down
The dream that was our future, we never made into a memory

I go up, I come down, on this roller coaster ride
The candles burn at both ends but the days they still drag by
In this house of haunted love dark shadows appear, I don't want to know what I'll
see in the house of mirrors
I go up, I come down, on this roller coaster ride
...the circus, is back in town, but the days they still drag by

The Clock On The Wall

Waiting and watching that clock on the wall
Waiting for the school day to end
Waiting for that afternoon bell to ring
And set us free, me and my friends

Chorus 1

That clock it's moving so slow
I got things to do, places to go
Dreams to dream, things to be
That clock it's moving way too slow for me

The job keeps me busy all day long
The kids keep me up all night
I wish that clock would move a little faster
So I can get to the time in life where everything's right

Repeat Chorus 1

Now my hair's turning gray, my eyesight's disappearing
I can't see the clock but I know
That final bell is coming, it's going to ring soon
How'd the time go so fast when it seemed to go so slow

Chorus 2

That clock it's moving too fast
So many things and places, are now in the past
The dreams I wanted to dream, the things I wanted to be
That clock, it's moving way too fast for me

The Coming Of Winter

No reason to get up, I could lay here all day
Just let things be, let them pass as they may
Let the leaves change their colour, just before they fall
The coming of winter, I've been feeling its call

The children have grown, my parenting's done
The house is so quiet, no daughters no sons
Not much is expected, not much is required
To some just an old man, world weary and tired

Chorus

The past gets more real, as the days disappear
And the time I thought was mine, has been taken by the years
And the only ghosts that haunt me, are the ones I don't fear
I see their faint reflection, in the memories I hold near

Now I watch the struggle, I've known it myself
The pride, the vanity, the deceit, the choking wealth
The sound and the fury, the push and the shove
In the end they'll find all that's left is faith, hope and love

Repeat Chorus

...It's Thanksgiving morning and I'm grateful for all I've known
I'm grateful for this life...

The Complicated And The Gray

Broken smiles, harbouring a broken heart
Broken pieces, a broken love falling apart
Trying to hold on to a broken string
Trying to fly on a broken wing
Broken smiles, harbouring a broken heart

Unbroken silence, the unspoken better left unsaid
Unbroken secrets, hidden and hanging by a thread
A Pandora's box
Full of dangerous words, dangerous thoughts
Unbroken silence, the unspoken better left unsaid

Chorus

The complicated and the gray
Cleaned up and dressed up for the day to day
Cracks concealed, hidden from the light
But they break wide open in the middle of the night

Broken lines, crossed and casting shadows on the sun
A broken memory, re-writing what can't be undone
Love's broken arrow from a broken bow
The night won't let go of what the day doesn't want to know
Broken lines, crossed and casting shadows on the sun

Repeat Chorus

The Current Thing

The narrative, the news, sanctioned and approved
Right in line with the up-to-date mind, the right opinion, the right view
On the current fear, the current façade, the current celebrity faux pas
The current attraction, the current distraction, the current news cycle cause

Chorus

Get the right way to think about the current thing
Get the right kind of mind for the current time
Take your cues, learn your lines
Display the right kind of signals and the right kind of signs
It's all free of charge, for the price of your mind
The non-stop news cycle puppet show
Whose pulling those strings you don't need to know
Questions and answers, scripted and controlled
And what you can't see, you don't need to know

The news cycle goes round and round
A suitable new current thing is found
Considered pronouncements are delivered with the proper tone and click-bait
sound
The pundits pontificate
On the new current thing, the latest update
Tell you who to blame, name and shame
Approved opinions proclaimed

Repeat Chorus

The Door Of No Return

I walked straight through that door of no return
Knowledge of good and evil, well now I've learned
Yeah, the prettiest star is the one that's gonna make you burn
And lead you through that door of no return

Chorus

Now the night goes on and on while my mind tries to make it right
And find that future that was easy, that right and wrong that came in black and white
Out of time, out of mind, that door of no return is shut so tight
Still the night goes on and on while my mind tries to make it all right

The song's long gone but the drummer, just keeps drumming
The one's that'll get you are the one's you don't see coming
You walk away from love, you're gonna end up running
From what you've done and what you see yourself becoming

Repeat Chorus

... but that door of no return, is shut so tight

The End Of The Darkness

The summer lawns are so green
The summer sky is so blue
That summertime promise is waiting for me and for you

That summertime lake is so warm
The evening water so calm
The waves have reached the shore, the storm has passed, it's gone

Chorus

It's the end of the darkness, the shadows, the light has broken the night
The shades of gray that disguise the wrong and the right
It's the end of the darkness, a new dawn day, it waits
With forgiveness and love, reasons to believe, gratitude and grace

The seasons change, they go round and round
Winter will come, we know
The snow will fall and that cold wind will blow

But for the here and the now we're OK
Here with this gift, this moment in time
Here between what will be and what we've left behind

Repeat Chorus

...In between all that's been
The never will be and the never more
The end of the darkness is waiting outside that open door

The End Of The Day

One more station on the line
We'll arrive at exactly 7:09
I know my place on this train
I'm tired, it's the end of the day

This commuter car, it feels like home
These silent faces so familiar but still unknown
They nod they smile, they turn away
They're tired, it's the end of the day

Chorus

You count the blessings, you count the stars
You count the miles that brought you here to where you are
You count the reasons, to walk away
But you're tired and it's the end of the day

Bridge

The do-si-do and the promenade, the morning call, the evening bell
Round and round and back again, the dance I know so well

Young nights and lights, a world so new
You knew it once and it knew you
In the twilight light, it fades away
But it's OK you're tired and it's the end of the day

Repeat Chorus

The Eyes Of A Child (Alex's Song)

You are the one, you are the happy one
You are the joy, we've been waiting for

You are the gift, the oh...oh so perfect gift
You are the love, we've been waiting for

Chorus

You bring so much, a smile, a laugh for everyone
You're so warm to the touch, I know why God loves the little ones
And we all change so much, as time takes time away from us
But life and love and trust, they still shine down for all of us
Through the eyes of a child

The light that shines from your eyes, is like a million stars in the midnight sky
Like the morning sun, we've been waiting for

A child's cry, a child's sigh, a baby's breath, a child's eyes
When you're in our arms, the future is in our hands
Cause tomorrow is yours, and we've been waiting so long

Repeat Chorus

The Flame It Burns On And On

A childhood sun shone down on everyone
The future was a promise that had just begun
The world was old but it felt so young
Forever would never end and nevermore would never come

Chorus 1

It's not here anymore but it's not gone
You see it in the twilight, you hear it in the notes of a song
It's not here anymore but it's not gone
The light still shines and the darkness, always finds the dawn
And the flame it burns on and on

An ordinary boy, a hometown girl
They found each other riding on that teenage tilt a whirl
Promises and pretty curls, a heart and soul and heirloom pearls
A small town love walked out into a great big world

Chorus 2

They're not here anymore but they're not gone
You see them in the twilight, you hear them in the notes of a song
They're not here anymore but they're not gone
The light still shines and the darkness, always finds the dawn
And the flame, it burns, on and on

A shooting star leaves a trail cross the night time sky
Time runs out of time as the time flies by
A family gathers, a grandchild sees his mother cry
And a tear falls from an old man's eye

Chorus 3

She's not here anymore but she's not gone
They see her in the twilight they hear her in the notes of a song
She's not here anymore but she's not gone
The light still shines and the darkness always finds the dawn
And the flame it burns on and on
...the flame it burns on and on

The Funkadelic Look At Me Pop Star Wannabe

The hype machines in overdrive, same old story but it sounds so new
Read about your favorite stars, what they think about what they do
About how they want to be left alone, it's the tortured artist effect
And how interviews are such a drag, but they don't want to quit talking yet

Heavy drama for the common man, selling fantasy as music
The sensitive rebel in chameleon clothes, well that usually does the trick
So with some suicidal tendencies, and some politics that fit
You too could be a pop star, promoting your latest hit

Chorus

And you could...sing all night and spout art-speak all day
With an attitude, cool hair, and all that's currently hip to say
The bohemian artist as brought to you by the children of the bourgeoisie
The dilettante in street clothes, screaming look at me, look at me, look at me

Girls like artists and you know that and you like girls too
When you're whining about your inner angst and they hang off all you say and do
And you just bought a guitar with a seven-day learner kit
Someday it's going to be your ticket out of the mosh pit

Repeat Chorus

The Future Becomes The Past (All Over Again)

Got, a message from you
Said you wanted to meet, talk things through
Maybe start over, try to make amends
Well I can hold out till I give in
I can stand tall till I fall again
But when it comes to you I know there'll be no end cause...

Chorus

There's so much water that's gone under that bridge
So many years, so many tears time won't let me forget or forgive
And there's so many reasons to leave well enough alone
Those sleeping dogs won't sit and stay, you wake them up they'll find a way
To take you back to where you don't want to go
And show you what's left of what you don't want to know

I should just let it go
We don't agree on much but we both know
The past is a minefield that's better left alone
Yeah, but sometimes it gets rose coloured
When the tears disappear and the years discover
That who we were's going to follow us wherever we go, yeah...

Repeat Chorus

...got, a message from you
Said you wanted to meet, talk things through
Maybe start over, try to make amends
I should say No but I say OK
From you I never could walk away
And so the future becomes the past all over again...

The Future Fades To Black

Scared of what's coming it's almost here
You can see it in the children's eyes the old man's fear
It's waiting in the shadows where the truth disappears
Behind what's left of a future that used to be here

Scared of what's coming down that road
All the things we thought we knew well, now we know
Most of it was for the money, the rest was for the show
Now there's nowhere to run to, nowhere left to go

Chorus

Runaway train running out of track
Lots of wrong turns, no turning back
Picture isn't clear and the mirror gets cracked
The past is never past, the here and now doesn't last
As what used to be the future comes to pass fades to black

Used to be so easy how'd it get so hard
Here to there, how'd it get so far
Somehow we lost sight of that guiding star
Don't know who we're supposed to be, forgot who we are

Chorus

Runaway train running out of track
Lots of wrong turns, no turning back
Picture isn't clear and the mirror gets cracked
The past is never past, the here and now doesn't last
As what used to be the future fades to black

The Future Starts Today

The future starts today
It's waiting for us to find our way
The future starts right now
Show a little faith and it'll show you how

The future waits for no one
It's never over and it's never done
The future never ends
You never know what's coming and what's gone can come again

Chorus

But it's a beautiful morning, a brand new day
This old world is still turning, I got a feeling, we'll be OK
The ride might get rough, the days might seem strange
Freefalling down til we're lifted up again

The future waits for no man
The first becomes last like a best laid plan
Dark days ahead or light years behind
No one knows now but we'll all know in time

Repeat Chorus

...Cause storms never last, rainbows follow rain
And when it's all over we might not be the same
But it's a beautiful morning, a brand new day
This old world is still turning, I got a feeling, we'll be OK

... The future starts today
It's waiting for us to find our way
The future starts right now
Show a little faith and it'll show you how

The Garden

Everything round here looks new, but it's all hand me down
It's like we're looking for our future, at the lost and found
You can waste a lot of time, riding on this merry go round

The poison's deep in the wound, but the wound won't heal
When the center won't hold, you beg you borrow then you kneel
When the questions have no answers, faith's the only thing that's real

Chorus 1

You don't know their story so you can't say who's to bless, who's to blame
Beauty's where you find it and love can't ever be explained

Self righteous rebellion, you know the usual kind
I'm right, your wrong, I'm going to own your mind
Sometimes you get an echo of the stuff you hope you left behind

Did you just lose your shadow, or was it your soul
Did you try to throw away anything you could not control
What the mind despises, the heart longs to hold

Chorus 2

The truth can be strange but love doesn't point a finger
It might not last but love, it sure does linger

Sometimes I think the only choice I got is fashion or style
But I can find my way again if I can feel, your forgiving smile
Let's go to the garden, let's rest for a while
... Let's go to the garden, let's rest for a while

The Gift Of An Ordinary Day

Empty streets in a locked down town, everyone inside no one around
Just what's left of what used to be the day to day parade
When it all gets so strange, nothing anymore feels the same
You watch and you wait for the gift of an ordinary day

When the ones you thought knew what to do, are as lost as you
Trying to find a path through all the shifting shades of gray
Watching for a word some kind of sign, a way to leave this all behind
And waiting for the gift of an ordinary day

Chorus

The ordinary everyday
With its ups and downs and laughs and frowns and prayers to pray
And everything, more or less the same
Til a peaceful evening twilight falls again
Over another ordinary day

The birds still sing and the sun still shines but things have changed we're in
another time
Waiting for a guiding light, to light the way
Why is it when something disappears, its beauty becomes so crystal clear
Like the gift of an ordinary day

Repeat Chorus

...the gift of an ordinary day
...just another ordinary day

The Gift Of Love

Sometimes I'm amazed
At how beautiful this old world can be
The gift of another perfect day
Another reason to believe in you and me

I hold your hand, the hand I know so well
From the times we stumbled, the times we fell
You didn't let go and neither did I
Still here together on this road that we both ride

Those winds of change, they're going to blow
Sometimes warm, sometimes so cold
Where they'll take us, we don't know
Those shifting winds they come and they go

Who was right and who was wrong we'll leave behind
And let those forgiving new morning bells chime
A smile, a glance, nothing needs to be said
All our twists and turns have brought us here to this road that lays ahead

As close as a dream as far away as a star
The what will be will find us wherever we are
With our laugh lines and hard time scars
Carved by the years and time's ever-changing march

And I know I'll be amazed
At how beautiful this old world can be
The gift of another perfect day
And the gift of love that was given to you and me

The Good Days

No easy answers, the long road home
The hard promises that never let us go
The flawed imperfections of another perfect day
Lost but still finding our way

Unspoken words, never heard but always there
Between the waiting, the hoping and the silent prayers
The moments that colour everything that's going to come
What will be and what can't be undone

Chorus

Someday these will be the good days
The moments, the magic, the mystery of time gone by
These will be the days of vintage wine so fine
That live in a goodbye world of rose-coloured shrines and signs
...deep in that memory mine

A smile, a touch, a tear
All the ways the years brought us here
The way the autumn light catches the falling leaves
One more reason to believe

Repeat Chorus

...where these will become the good times/days

The Innocent Years

An empty place at the table tonight, an empty kitchen chair
An empty room where a child once slept, a little voice no longer there
This used to be, the place we called home, we used to make our memories here
Nothing's forever, everything is on loan, running through the innocent years

Give and take, the doors open and close, love's all there is, it's everywhere
The price is high and you'll pay and pay, but the trip is worth the fare
It's all I want, it's all that I need, but time it wants to change everything
They're here than they're gone, That's just the way it is, the way it's always been

Bridge

Diesel, oil and gasoline
Can take us so far from here
But they've got nothing on what time's gonna do
As it takes away the innocent years

The road ahead is so unknown, and we've already come so far
Sometimes the light is so blindingly bright, you can't even see the stars
If you find yourself falling, and your not who you thought you'd become
Don't forget who and who's you are, and all the love that you came from

The Kids Got Your Eyes

The lights went out, the circus had moved on
The party was over, it was already gone
But the band kept playing, that same old song
Through a veil of shadows, we sang along of...
Faraway days under forever skies
They're all gone now but the kids got your eyes

The first, the last, the in-between
Everyone I've known, everything I've seen
I still find them, here in my dreams
I don't know, what it all means those...
Faraway days under forever skies
They're all gone now but the kids got your eyes

Chorus -

Through the black, the white the gray, the days slip away
The memories fade, but the mysteries remain those...
Faraway days under forever skies
They're all gone now but the kids got your eyes

All that is, and what will ever be
Will one day become, a fading memory
A fleeting shadow, a passing breeze
Just one more moment, in time's eternity yeah...
Faraway days under forever skies
They're all gone now but the kids got your eyes

Repeat Chorus

... faraway days under forever skies
They're all gone now but the kids got your eyes

The Land Of Long Gone Promises

I watch, the rain from my window
And I watch, the wind blow through the trees
And I watch the day slip away
And I wonder do you ever think of me

Oh I wait for the postman to leave a letter
And I wait for the telephone to ring
And I wait for the days to get better
And I wonder what those nighttime dreams will bring

Chorus

Sometimes it's the ones you want to remember
Sometimes it's the ones you'll never forget
But sometimes it's the ones from the other side of forever
The land of long gone promises and late night regrets

Last night I dreamed we were together
We shared a laugh an old story, a song
But then you said "you got to let me go", I said "I know"
And in the fading light of a distant dream you were gone

Repeat Chorus

...the land of long gone promises...

The Land Of Nevermore

Unspoken words hung like a choking chain
Unbroken, unheard over and over again
Behind the tired curtains and all the closed doors
He learned to live in the land of nevermore

The lines were drawn and then they got crossed
The reasons were real until they got lost
The wrong became right 'til the right felt all wrong
Now he lives in the land of nevermore with what's left of what's gone

Bridge

The candle grows dim but the flame never dies
It burns in the shadow of the unanswered whys

The minutes count the hours, the days count the years
The stars shine bright 'til they disappear
Love's all there is, all that's left in the end
Even in the land of nevermore and never again

Repeat Bridge

...Cause love's all there is, all that's left in the end
Even in the land of nevermore and never again
Even in the land of nevermore and never again

The Last Day Of May

The promise of summer, on the last day of May
It's almost here, summer's on its way
Those summertime days haven't yet started slippin' away
I wish that I could stay right here on this last day of May

With the promise of a golden summertime under that summertime sun
And the promise of those summertime songs just waiting to be sung
And the promise of a summertime dream wrapped in summertime fun
Where the slipping away of summer days hasn't yet begun

Chorus

From the nighttime water that'll be so warm
And the nighttime air so sweet
From the fireflies that'll fly through the nighttime sky
To those late-night summer fires on the beach

May days, bring that springtime rain
Rainbows, colour the sky again
Wintertime snow, is so far away
Summer hasn't started, slippin' away
I wish that I could stay
Right here on this, last day of May
Where summer hasn't, started to slip away

Repeat Chorus

The Last Goodbye

The day is gray, even the light's a dark shade, the clouds they own the sky
I get out of the car I know, this is going to be hard, the letting go, the last goodbye
Face to face with what we know will be
Eyes wide open to what we don't want to see
This hospital hall, the last goodbye that waits for us all
The writing that's always been on the wall

I walk in the room, the curtains drawn, it'll be soon, she's sleeping and I watch her breath
She wakes up and smiles, asks have you been here for a while
I say is there anything I can do or something you need
She shakes her head no, says I'm just so tired of this letting go
I hold her hand and I whisper a memory
There's so much to say but words are useless here today
In the quiet darkness I watch her fade away

Chorus

It isn't fair, it isn't real, I don't know what it is I feel
It's the end of the pain, but it's the end of so much more
The times long gone, they follow you, the should've done's and the didn't do's
The same questions that have been asked a million times before
I sigh a last goodbye and walk out the door

On this same old road, driving home, there's no one here but I know I'm not alone
I can feel that light breaking through
Lets me know that it's OK, I'll see them all someday
That light is bright and it's warm and I know it's true
Cause the end is not the end, and the circle will be unbroken again
All things pass away, all things made new
On this same old road, driving home, there's no one here but I know I'm not alone

Repeat Chorus

The Last Thing You'll Want To Know

A whole world to see, anything I wanted I could be
A kid walkin' around in his jacket and jeans
Sang a young man's song, 'bout injustice, right and wrong
On a cheap, scarred guitar, it sounded so sweet
Had a young man's laugh, a young man's mind
Had a young man's heart and soul
Got lost and found on time's merry go round, the flyin' high, the comin' down
Had a lot to say before I knew what I didn't know ...'bout love

Chorus

Sometimes it's hot, sometimes it's cold, sometimes it can be so hard to hold
Sometimes it leaves a scar when it cuts so deep
Sometimes it's more than you want to know, you try to break free but it won't let go
Burns a hole through your dreams when you're trying to sleep
But after everything's been said and done, the days of darkness, the days of sun
After the aftermath and the afterglow
After every dog has had its day, after you've tried every other way
The only thing you want to know is the love you've known
(The first thing you ever knew is the last thing you'll want to know)
...cause it's love that brought you here and it's love that's gonna take you home

Now I believe half of what I see and even less of what I hear
Still walkin' around in my jacket and jeans
Sing an old man's song, 'bout that fine line between right and wrong
On this old guitar that still sounds so sweet to me
Got an old man's laugh, got an old man's mind
Got an old man's heart and soul
Get lost and found on time's merry go round, the flyin' high, the comin' down
Not much to say, but one thing I know ...'bout love

Repeat Chorus

...yeah, it's love that brought you here and it's love that's gonna take you home

The Last Time

The last time my mother walked with me along the shore
I didn't know it would be the last time - (IDKIWBTLT)
The last time my old dog met me at the door - (IDKIWBTLT)
The last time I carried my child up the stairs - (IDKIWBTLT)
The last time I came home and everyone was there - (IDKIWBTLT)

Chorus

The last time I'll ever play this guitar
The last time I'll see a shooting star
The last time I'll ever pass the time with an old friend
And laugh about who we were way back when
The last time I'll ever think of you
And all we've been through
The last time I'll ever, wonder do you think of me
And just let it all go, and let it be
...the last time ...the last time

The last time I ever felt like I was young - (IDKIWBTLT)
The last time I couldn't wait for the future to come - (IDKIWBTLT)
The last time I knew, that every word was true - (IDKIWBTLT)
The last time I knew exactly what to do - (IDKIWBTLT)

Repeat Chorus

...I don't want to know ...the last time

The Last Word

Fight through the night who's wrong, who's right, who said what, what's black, what's white

Round and round til it begins again

Wasted time, wasted away, gone forever, another day

Getting the last word in

Every past stumble, every past fall, make something big out of something so small

Nobody gives in, nobody wins

Every last way, every last time, going nowhere, crossing the line

Getting the last word in

Chorus

The last word, you win, it's yours

Yeah just you and the sound of a slamming door

To the victor go the spoils of a loved one's tears

Yeah, you didn't break, you didn't bend

You won but you lost 'cause in the end

Love's the last word you're ever going to want to hear

Words on the street, words in the car, so easy to say but they hit so hard

Blowing like a cold and wicked wind

The definitive statement, the final sting, the closing remark, the final thing

Getting that last word in

Repeat Chorus 2X

... Love's the last word you're ever going to want to hear

... Yeah love...

The Love You Gave Away

Upside down, round and round
This world keeps turning and we keep learning
With all that's here and gone at the end of the day
There won't be much left but the prayers you prayed
The love that you've known, it won't let you go
The years fly by and you reap what you've sown
And you'll finally know, what you've always known
It's the love you gave away that's gonna take you home

You feel pretty good, you're getting by
Underneath that great big wide open sky
Til you turn around and without a sound
You're looking at some kind of evil right in the eye
You want to crawl away, you want to hide
But you put a foot in front of the other, you step outside
With a little bit of courage, a little bit of strength
You stare it down til that evil it blinks

The up and the down, the day to day
It gets faster and faster as the time slips away
Pretty soon you've seen it all before
The opening and closing doors
And you wonder what it's all been for
You think about what it is you're leaving behind
All those wrong turns and all the times you were so blind
But then there's the times you cared, and all the love that you shared
And all the times you tried to be kind
...And you remember that you know, what you've always known
It's the love you gave away that's gonna take you home

The Minstrel's Voice

Maybe the voice is no longer there, it's not the one that took us everywhere
When we heard the songs, that the minstrel sang
Maybe it can't reach the notes, the ones that float
So high where the bells of the evening once rang

Maybe those sounds from another time have gone now, they've been left behind
Sometimes you still find them in a summertime dream
Something's lost and something's won, a chapter ends and another's begun
And that voice carries with it the memory of all it's been

Chorus

Listen with your heart and your heart will hear
A voice resonating with the wisdom of years
Reminding us that age is always going to take its toll
But still finding the strength to sing those songs that never grow old

A little out of tune, a little out of step, almost broken but not broken yet
Like us, that voice has been coloured, weathered and worn
The songs are sung again yeah, you've heard them before, but this time in a voice, that's
seen so much more
Of the wherefore, the why and what will be, forevermore

Repeat Chorus

...still finding the strength to sing those songs that never grow old

The Mourning Dove Sings His Song

The unspoken words always there
The uncertain smiles, sometimes they're everywhere
The unknown reasons long gone like the seasons
Of sunshine and wine
In that sweet summertime
Before the what might have been got left so far behind

The unforgiving heart, so broken, so alone
The untraveled road, the only way back home
The uneasy peace with the soul searching winds that have blown
Through the sunshine and the wine
Of that sweet summertime
Before the what might have been got left so far behind

Chorus

Believing in forever, forever here and now
And a tomorrow wrapped in a dream that only heaven can allow
Believing in the promise of a moment shared
Til time took time away and all that's left are the prayers
Of the ones left behind trying to be strong
In the land of nevermore with all that's left of all that's gone
Somewhere between right and wrong
Where that mourning dove still sings his song

The innocent lose their innocence what they've seen lives in their eyes
The broken carry on and try to live with their disguise
The out of place and out of time ride those wistful memory tides
Through the sunshine and the wine
Of that sweet summertime
Before the what might have been got left so far behind

Repeat Chorus

The Mysteries Outside Of Time

The spaces in-between, the never was and what will always be
Where the dreamers dream the dreams, that only the soul can see

Where the poets, the artists find, the mystical path, the ethereal signs
That free them from the chains of reality

Where the searchers, the driven, seek a poetic peace with what's been written
On their restless, unsettled souls

Where in-between the broken pieces, are the mystic spaces where reality ceases
And the songs of longing are made whole

Chorus

The in-between spaces where the infinite leaves its traces
That can only be seen by those who know that they're blind
Where the distance divides, the transcendent from this earthly ride
On a path that can't be seen with the eyes of the rational mind
The sacred secrets, the mystical, the divine
...the mysteries outside of time

Where the veil between the unsung songs, the here and now and the forever gone
Is torn away and the silence is heard

In the space unseen, between imagination and mystery
Where the artists find their art and the poets free their words

Repeat Chorus

The Name Was Gone

Crisis management, pop psychology
It's the last decade of the 20th century
Where some get lost, and some get found
But most end up just, hanging around

I saw you in the cafe, you were, killing time
You were, checking your reflection in the, neon sign
It told you....you still had a couple of years before you'd. Burn out of this game
They might remember your face but they'd, forget your name

Chorus

Obvious lies from, dubious sources, pick your story it's, horses for courses
And, noone could explain why, the words had no meaning but the song made you cry
It's, time to burn, money to spend, if you, never get old, the party will never end
And noone could explain why, the story made no sense until the hero died
The words had no meaning but the song made you cry
And time got lost as the years flew by

Three levels of dancing floors with, different scenes
From victorian to romance and, the times in between
Where some get lost and, some get found
But most end up just, hanging around

It's one for the money and it's, two for the show
And if your, going to go well you, might as well go
The beat it was steady and the, band played on
They might remeber the face but the, name was gone

Repeat Chorus

The Old Man Is Still Here

The promise of youth not yet afraid of the truth never turned around, never looked back

Til all the easy answers became questions to be asked as the future, became the past

And the light turned youth's heroes to stone, and courage learned to live with fear
Now the easy answers are gone, but the old man, is still here

The work was hard but it fed his soul and the reasons, they were real

There were mouths to feed and promises to keep that kisses, had been used to seal
But times they change and the young took the reins that he held, for so many years
The work was hard now it's gone, but the old man, is still here

Chorus

Falling behind, into yesterday

Another place and time, that's fading away

A few memories, a few souvenirs, all that's left, of all those years

He lives with all these things that are gone, but the old man, is still here

The evening bell it tolls, the horsemen, they ride

With the long gone souls the friends he used to know and once walked, beside

The never-ending now, turn around, it disappears

The evening bell it tolls, but the old man, is still here

Repeat Chorus

... the good times, the bad times, the smiles and the tears, the easy days and the hard road years

He lives with all these things that are gone, but the old man, is still here

The Old Man Knows

The old man knows, he understands
The way it's gonna be for a younger man
You'll work, you'll burn, you'll do what you can

The old man knows, he understands
The mess that's left with never played plans
Right road wrong turn an old, young man

He knows he watches as you go, round and round
The higher you fly the harder, the ground
...the old man knows

The old man smiles as you fight with your fate
And build that bridge between ego, greed and hate
(While you're burning bridges with your greed and your hate)
Expecting to fly but it's getting so late
(Expecting escape but it's getting too late)

The old man smiles as you fight with your fate
'til you hit that wall and collapse with the weight
And you finally realize, only love can open the gate
Yeah what's left of your love and what's left, of your faith
...the old man knows

You'll pay for the good times, and you'll play, through the pain
He knows he watches as it all goes round and round again
He knows he smiles 'cause he's been there and back again
...the old man knows ...the old man knows
...the old man waits ...as you fight with your fate

The Only Road Home

Slipping away, it's so hard to let go
Don't want to believe, what I don't want to know
The future has changed, the past has been rearranged,
The innocence is gone, only the love remains

Chorus

Sometimes the hard road, is the only road home
Sometimes the dark road, is the only road home

The story's over, but it won't ever end
My wrong words, at the wrong time, playing again again
I wash my hands, but I can't seem to get them clean
They carry the mark of every place and thing I should have been

Chorus

Sometimes the hard road, is the only road home
Sometimes the dark road, is the only road home
Sometimes the long road, is the only road home
That long dark hard road is sometimes, the only road home

The Other Side Of Innocence

A warm sun used to shine from that big wide sky
On a world he used to see through innocent eyes
Now it shines cold on all the promises he could not keep
And on what's left of what he tried to believe

Temptation sounds its siren call
Right here, right now you can have it all
The darkness falls on what he once thought he could be
On the other side of innocence he knows what he's going to see

Chorus

The spinners they'll spin, the clever they'll con
The entertainment will distract with a dance and a song
Shapes they'll shift til, what was right seems like, it's all wrong
On the other side of an innocence, that's so far gone

Choice and chance, time and circumstance
Call the tune, the song and the dance
Do-Si-Do into the unknown
The other side of innocence, so far from home

Repeat Chorus

The Other Side Of Somewhere

When you know, you know
The years will disappear while the future grows old
The hour it'll grow late, the doors they'll close
While you learn to let go of what you'll never hold

Another time, another place
A summer smile, a trusting face
The memories fade, they slip away
While you wait for a little mercy and grace

Chorus

But sometimes when you're here, you're there
On the other side of that long gone somewhere
Nighttime dreams and daytime prayers
Are all you've got left to take you there
Back to the other side of somewhere

When you know, you know
Why you've stayed so long on this old road
You learned that hard lesson a long time ago
Love's the only way back home

Repeat Chorus

...the other side of your dreams, and your prayers
...the other, side, of somewhere

The Party

I dreamed about a party I was at, a long time ago
I recognized everyone but I was somebody that they didn't know
I even saw myself, a black and white man who had never felt the fire
The righteousness of youth before temptation met desire
I walked up to say hello, he mocked me with his eyes
Face to face with a future, he wouldn't believe but he couldn't deny
I dreamed about a party I was at, a long time ago
I recognized everyone but I was somebody that they didn't know

A limbo time where the past exists with a future that's full of whys
Answered by all those promises that wound up being lies
Every time you move you leave a little piece of yourself behind
You pay for your transgressions with all the demons in your mind
A limbo time where the past exists with a future that's full of whys
Answered by all those promises that wound up being lies

You make your trade for what you want, something old for something new
You make your peace with what you have, what you are and what you do
I dreamed about a party I was at, a long time ago
I recognized everyone but I'd become somebody they didn't know

The Party's Over

Started out strong, went into a spin
While I was waiting for my life to begin
I was right about 1% of the time
I faked it through the other 99

The lost little boy, his pretty little girl
Losing' the faith in their, Microsoft world
It's OK, once it was a good dream
It just gets sad when you think of what it could have been

Chorus

The party's over, the place is a mess
Wake up boy, you're not finished yet
The laughter of fools, is echoing still
Music, once so sweet now sounds so shrill
The broken idol, washed up on the shore
Earth Air, Fire and Water aren't enough anymore
The night goes on and on, he watches alone
Waiting for the courage to take the road that leads back home

The rich, the far out, the dangerously bored
The pollution of prosperity, kickin' down the door
You can keep on going, at least for a few more miles
If you get a good day, once in a while

The lost little boy, his pretty little girl
Losing' the faith, in their Microsoft world
What once was so easy, somehow got too hard
Too much, too soon, too fast, too far

Repeat Chorus

...Waiting for some kind of sign...

The Road

We're here for the ride, the lows and the highs
Onward through the fog and the haze
Riding the waves of fear, joy and tears
Through the black and white, that's wrapped in shades of gray

The push and the pull, the give and the take
The lessons learned again and again
The only thing for certain is things are going to change
But somehow, they'll stay the same

Chorus

The road it winds through the twists and the turns
The highs, the lows, the day to day roulette
You roil, you boil, you ride your inner turmoil
To the land of the great regret
The more you see, the more you come to know
There'll be no easy way to repay that cosmic debt
But forever it waits with mercy and grace
For you to forgive what you can't forget

When I was young the answers were easy
I didn't know how hard the questions could be
While the fool fools around with the jester and the clown
The wise man waits for his blind eyes to see

Repeat Chorus

... We're here for the ride, the lows and the highs
Onward through the fog and the haze

The Rumour

The rumour, going round the town
The rumour, set 'em up, knock 'em down
The rumour, all the news that fits
The rumour, get on board the loose lip ship

The rumour, more grist for the mill
The rumour, hear what you want, believe what you will
The rumour, two parts fiction, one part fact
The rumour, spin it once, you'll never get it back

Chorus

You're tired of the rumours 'bout what you don't want to know
Tired of trying to hold on to what's left of your soul
You're tired of the rumours 'bout what you don't want to see
Tired of trying to hold on to what you once believed
You're tired of the rumours 'bout what don't make any sense
Tired of trying to hold on to that long gone innocence
Well, I'm tired of the rumours too but there's one I know is true
You don't give up on love, and it won't give up on you

The rumour, a wink and a nod
The rumour, spice up the dialogue
The rumour, reported and reputed
Dangerous fun on the backs of the wounded

Repeat Chorus

... Well there's one more rumour, and I know it's true
You don't give up on love and it won't give up on you

The Soul Searches For What It Needs To Believe

The evening bell it tolls, the holy sound it calls
The old pray for their young wrapped in their evening prayer shawls
While the twisting winds blow through a changing land
They pray to make some sense of all the things they know they'll never understand

I watch from this room with a timeworn view
I see everything I should have done and all the things I know I'll never do
And all the time that's slipped through my hands
Trying to make some sense of all the things I know I'll never understand

Chorus

They say that hope begins in the dark
And the heart knows what the eyes will never see
What's lost, what's been found, the unlived life that doesn't make a sound
And the soul searchin' for what it needs to believe

Another one gone, says a voice on the telephone, once we walked together on this road that we knew one day we'd walk alone
All the best laid plans that got lost in time's shifting sands
Trying to make some sense of all these things I know I'll never understand

I keep my eye on the prize but sometimes I look back
I pray the good Lord above will cut me some slack
The sun, the moon, the stars they all share the same sky
I'll be there too, all in good time

Repeat Chorus

...the soul searches for what it needs to believe

The Things I Should Say

The sun it rises, over one more day
Some go to work, while others pray
Leaves me alone with all these things I should say
The sun it rises, over one more day

You take the child from a boy to a man
You watch him grow, you hold his hand
Then he does these things that you just don't understand
You watch him grow, you hold his hand

Chorus

Father forgive me, for I know what I do
I wish there was some way around these things I put you through
We're so hard on the ones we love, this we know is true
Say a prayer for me for I know what I do

So much love, love was all around
It's easy to touch the sky when your feet are on the ground
You'd say, trouble comes but trouble it goes
Sometimes you walk in the light and sometimes you just don't know

Repeat Chorus

The sun it rises, over one more day
My father's gone to work, my mother still prays
Leaves me alone with all these things I should say
The sun it rises over one more day

The Wailing Of The Banshee

The old folks carry the shadow of the crossing of the sea
On a coffin ship, they made the trip to the land of liberty
From the only home they'd known, the isle they'd never see again
The great hunger drove them away, from their family, land and friends

“No Irish Need Apply” said the sign in the window
Filth, disease and crime, life in the New York Irish ghetto
The drinking and the dreamin’, couldn’t keep the demons at bay
So it’s off to Canada where the land is free so they say

Chorus

And they sang and they danced to the pipes, the harps, the drums
That reminded them of who they were and the land that they were from
They fingered the blessed beads on their holy rosaries
Their prayers would keep them safe from the wailing of the banshee

Dropped in the bush with nothing but their hopes, their hearts, their souls
They cleared the soil, planted the crops, but the new land took its toll
Loneliness, exhaustion, accidents, disease
While the ancient new world ghosts watched from the tall dark trees

They built their roads, their farms, their schools, whatever heaven would allow
They brought a piece of the emerald isle to that wild northern ground
The land of saints and scholars, fairies and leprechauns
And still the children of their children sing those old Irish songs

Chorus

Yeah they sing and they dance to the pipes, the harps, the drums
That remind them of who they are and the land that they are from
They finger the blessed beads on their parent’s rosaries
Whose prayers still keep them safe from the wailing of the banshee

...A drink, a joke, a song, a blessing for you on your way
May the road rise up to meet you, the sun shine warm upon your face
May God hold you close in the palm of his hand
And may you never hear the wailing of the banshee again

The Waves

The angels got to sleep last night
The children went to bed without a fight
The TV was turned soft and low
There was nothing on that we didn't already know

I held you close while we danced across the kitchen floor
To some old tune you don't hear anymore
You said it'll never get much better than this
You got a faraway look in your eyes and then you gave me a kiss

Chorus

Come ride the waves, here take my hand
It's the same thing now as when time began
I watched you walk along the shore
I could've sworn we'd been here before
See the fire in the night
Some kids are dancing the fire light
Their laughter keeps time with the radio song
And pretty soon I'm singing along
That Beatles tune is bouncing all over the lake
The love you get equals the love you make

I've seen you stumble, I've seen you fall
I know that you have seen me crawl
In the dark I've heard you call
Sometimes I think we've seen it all

The guardian angels have gone to bed
They've left us alone, nothing needs to be said
The song is over it's time to go
There's so much to be done but I love you, you know

Repeat Chorus

The Wheel Might Be Broken (But It Still Turns)

The emperor plays his violin
The sycophants dance, the end begins
Sabres get rattled, the fever gets high
The truth gets spun, a more believable lie

The lonely prophet at the gates of dawn
Watches all the ways the world goes wrong ...he knows
The wheel might be broken but it still turns
Love's flame might flicker but the fire still burns

Chorus

And fallen angels they'll fall again but they'll find their wings and they'll fly again
And the broken dreamers they'll dream again and the broken bells they'll toll again
For the lost until they're found again, and love's light destroys the night again
And the guilty ones are one more time forgiven
Yeah the guilty ones are one more time forgiven

I slipped through the cracks, landed at your door
Here I am again like all the times before
The wheel might be broken but it still turns
Love's flame might flicker but the fire still burns

Repeat Chorus

The Years In Your Eyes

What you've seen, changes what you see
Where you've been changes where you want to be
The smiles and tears, the goodbye sighs
Those first steps and that final ride
Are all coloured now by the years that still live in your eyes

Chorus

And all the things that you did and all the things you didn't do
And all the things that you know now, that you know now, you always knew
And all the things that you've seen and all the things that you've seen through
And all the ones that you've loved and all the ones, who loved you

You walk through the snow and the cold
Once you knew where you were going now you just don't know
You see the same stars in the same sky that shone on
The long gone ones you once walked beside
They're all coloured now by the years that still live in your eyes

Repeat Chorus

...they still colour this world that you're still walking through
...the ones that you've loved and the ones, who loved you

There Used To Be So Much Time

A time when there was lots of time
The future was easy and it'd be kind
Young summer days and star filled nights
Tomorrow would wait, and we'd be alright
When the future was something that we didn't fear
Before the days and the faces, they disappeared
I don't know where they've gone but they're not here, with me tonight

Chorus

Ah, there used to be so much time
Yeah, there used to be so much time

I'd tell you a story, sing you a song
You knew all the words and you'd sing along
The nights were warm and the days were long
No shades of gray, just right and wrong
There was time to dream and close your eyes
Make a wish under a cloudless sky
Questions had answers and goodbyes
Weren't unexplained whys and broken sighs

Repeat Chorus

Bridge

Somehow, someway, those easy tomorrows aren't here today
They're someplace, they're somewhere, I'll find them again and I'll take you there

...To a time when there was lots of time
The future was easy and it'd be kind
Young summer days and star filled nights
Tomorrow would wait, and we'd be alright

Repeat Chorus

...there used to be so much time

These Pictures Of You

The one of you when you were just a child
Facing the future with a wide-open smile
The one of you, sixteen candles, sixteen years
Teenage times, teenage tears

The one of you on your wedding day
The happy couple, finding their way
The one of you with a child in your hands
The future was a promise that was never going to end

Chorus

These pictures of you, pieces of time
Precious moments, the years left behind
Some of them in colour, some in black and white
Moments of forever in a fading light

The one of you standing in the rain
Knowing that nothing would ever be the same
The one of you, waving goodbye
Still trying to try, still trying not to cry

The one of you when the sickness took hold
Beautiful and broken, you'd never grow old
The one of you under a setting sun
Slipping away, forever young

Repeat Chorus

... These pictures of you, pieces of time
Precious moments, under a Kodachrome sky
Twilight colours mixed with shades of grey
Moments of forever fading away

These Streets Look The Same (But They're Not)

These streets look the same but they're not
The sun still shines down but the light's a little bit off
It can't find what once was there, a whispered wish, a quiet prayer
These streets look the same but they're not

This place looks the same but things change
A rainbow might still cross the sky, after it rains
But it's not seen by the ones no longer there who'd smile and make a wish and
whisper a prayer
These streets look the same but they're not

Chorus

There's no sound of children laughing the beginning of summer time
There's no sound of the songs we used sing, when the reasons were in the rhymes
No sound of young years everyone here, the world still fair and the future safe and
kind
And the promise of together forever, when no one would ever be left behind
These streets look the same but they're not

These days look the same but things aren't what they seem
Sometimes I catch a glimpse of what's gone in that great in between
Where the here and the now meet the what once was and the never should have
been
These streets look the same but they're not

Repeat Chorus

...these streets look the same but they're not

These Strings

Here's another song for the days long gone
For all the miles we've travelled on this old road
A memory wrapped in a melody, the chords and words working to weave
What these strings they already know

Chorus

A passing glance, a smile, a dance
A moment that changed everything
Together alone in a faceless crowd heading home
I still find those times here in these strings

Hard times and heartaches, dreamtime, dreamscapes
Holding on til winter becomes spring
Lost reasons get found, the dawn comes back around
The doubts disappear it's all here in these strings

Repeat Chorus

... Those moments they still live in these strings

Here's one more song for the days long gone
For all the miles you and I have travelled on this old road
A memory wrapped in a melody, the chords and words working to weave
What these guitar strings they already know

Things Change

I held my breath, I closed my eyes
I let the times take me where they would
I said farewell, I said goodbye
To so many who to me had been so good
The night life lights were burning bright
That siren sound was calling my name
And it all seemed free 'til the debt came due
You think, things are gonna last forever but things change

She held my hand like she held my eyes
She said I'll be yours and you'll be mine
We held each other under that starlit sky
Forever love was promised 'til the day we die
True love is true 'til someone new comes along
And love it starts to feel like a chain
She stole my heart, we swore we'd never part
You think, things are gonna last forever but things change

The more things change, the more they stay the same
I've heard that said a thousand times
Those forever winds will blow but there's one thing I know
Forever can change on a dime

Right side up became upside down
Hanging by a wing and a prayer
I looked all around, I heard the silent sound
Of nothing but darkness everywhere
That dark night of the soul that feels like it'll never let you go
Of a broken time you play in your mind, over and over again
Then you see a light, you break free of that night
You think, things are gonna last forever but things change
...and the more things change, the more they stay the same
...and together becomes forever again

Things Go On ‘til They Don’t

One more day, pretty much the same
The usual news, echoes and ghosts
The same twists and turns, through what’s left of what remains
Things go on ‘til they don’t

The has beens and hopefules, they gather at the bar
A story, a joke, a drink and a smoke
The neon nights, the flattering lights, they hide time’s scars
Things go on ‘til they don’t

Chorus

Once the sun was golden and dreams were free
The future was a promise, what we wanted to see would be
Til we were running out of time on the other side of that fine line
Sliding down that slippery slope
Things go on ‘til they don’t

A moment out of time, the soul of a saint
A reason to believe, faith, love and hope
Too little, too late, a twist of fate
Things go on ‘til they don’t

Repeat Chorus

...Things go on ‘til they don’t

Things We Say

I was riding on a train I was, wasting time
I was, wearing old clothes but I, knew they weren't mine
Well I, wanted to get off but I, didn't know where
I woke up, the conductor said, "You're already there"

Chorus

But you, need the dark to see the light
You, need the wrong to feel the right
Well you, need to be blind to be reborn with sight
Yeah you, need the the dark to see the light

Well I, caught a glimpse of you, I don't know what it means
But you, turned away so you, might have seen
Some of the things I was hiding, from your eyes
You turned away like you'd, just seen a lie

Repeat Chorus

Well it's, so easy to forget about, all the time
That's just, slippin away, out of, sight out of mind
Yeah we, laugh and we talk about, all that we're going to do
But it starts, sounding, pretty, funny, when the years start laughing at you

Repeat Chorus

Thinking About You

When I wake up, I start to smile
Cause I'm thinking 'bout you, thinking 'bout you
And when I'm tired, I can keep going
Cause I'm thinking 'bout you babe, thinking 'bout you

And when everything seems like a last ditch attempt
To try and make everything right
And when everyone seems like they're wrong
But they all think that they've just seen the light

Well, I can turn my head, I can put it out of my sight
Cause I'm thinking about you
And that's alright

And if I ever hear the ending
Well I might get the the joke
And if I ever want to win
Well I know, I'll have to go for broke
But that's alright, yeah, that's alright
Cause I'm thinking 'bout you babe, I'm thinking 'bout you

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And that's alright

This Beautiful Broken World

I wish I'd known then how quickly things can change and end and how soon it all catches up with you

What you've done and what you've seen, what was and what will never be, on the other side of everything that you've been through

The first times colour the last, the future's the product of the past like the child is the father of the man

Innocence lost, what will be will be, the good and the evil of reality, time's unseen hand, that no one understands

Chorus

But sometimes I still see how beautiful this broken world can be

Like when the moon and the stars shine their light on an evening stroll

With someone you've loved, someone you've known

Someone who lets you know you're not alone

...I wish I'd known then how quickly things can change and end as the here and the now become the been and gone

The winds of change, the sands of time, what's lost and found and what's been left behind

Here in these shades of gray, somewhere between right and wrong

Repeat Chorus

... Sometimes I can see, the love that's all around, the love we need

Here in this beautiful broken world of searching souls

With the years that brought us here where love's price is measured in memory's tears

In this beautiful broken world on our journey home

This Broken Road

I'm walking down this broken road
Like all the times before / With all the broken souls, who came before
If I walk long enough and far enough
Maybe I'll know what it all was for

Sometimes I try to make things stay the same
Sometimes I want everything to change
Sometimes I want to see where it's gonna go
But sometimes I don't want to know

Chorus

I've been on this road for so many years
And when I'm gone it'll go on, it'll still be here
With all its twists and turns no one will ever understand
And all the ways that all you know can slip right through your hands
On this broken road...

So bring on the rain, bring on the snow
I've got my collar high and I've got this old warm coat
I'm OK here walking down this broken road
With what's left of what I've known

Repeat Chorus

... And all the ways that all those winds are gonna blow
And all the ones who've come and gone that I used to know
And all the hopeful, heavy hearts and the searching souls
I still walk with them when I'm walking alone
...down this broken road
...down this broken road

This House

The stories this house could tell, we lived them all
They echo in the rooms and they live in the walls
And in these halls that have seen so many people come through
All the kids, all their friends, and some of our friends too
The street, the sidewalk that leads to our door
All the ones that passed through it that aren't here anymore
Their voices, love and laughter, go on and on
Time might disappear but it'll never be gone

Chorus

We lived in this house for 30 years, So many memories, so precious and dear
All those time's long gone, that'll never disappear, We lived in this house for 30 years

The living room with books and pictures on the wall
Always kept clean in case the church ladies called
A little class a little culture, biscuits and tea
Those ladies were never sure what to make of you and me
Acoustic guitars upstairs electric sounds below
That basement that became a home for rock n roll
While the old folks sang their kitchen hippie songs of peace and love
The kids rocked the foundation with their guitars, bass and drums

Repeat Chorus

The kitchen, the table, dinner cooking on the stove
Everybody here, everybody home
Long before all the changes, we always knew would come
Long before the world got old, no longer forever young
The children stories told in the bedroom light
Now roll over and go to sleep, sweet dreams, good night
Stories never forgotten, this house still knows them all
They echo in the rooms and they live in the walls

Repeat Chorus

...we lived in this house for 30 years...and the times long gone, they'll never disappear

This Is All I've Got

There's no turning back now, we've crossed so many lines
It's an old, old story, and we'll tell it one more time

Yeah, here's one from a dreamer who tried to read your soul
Another song of longing, one I'm sure you'll know

Chorus

Searchin' for some soul in these digital days
The house of cards burns but the band still plays
Shinin' some light on a bottom line land
This is all I've got, use what you can
This is all I've got...

Somehow we get broken, somehow we miss the signs
Somehow we keep going, out of touch but still makin' time

Repeat Chorus

... This is all I've got, use what you can
This is all I've got...

This Old Coat And These Memories

Once we knew where we were going, where the wind was blowing, where that river was flowing

Once we knew everything we wanted to know

We said the right words at the right time, we knew what to keep and what to leave behind

Before that summer sun turned to winter snow

The storms blew in, the days got cold, what was once so new it gets so old

When what you don't have is what you think you need

We let the fire go out and the chill creep in, it got way too late to go back again

Now I wear this old coat like I wear those memories

Chorus

It's threadbare, it's seen better days, it's tattered on the edges and the fabric's frayed

The colours are gone, it's time worn and torn

It's out of style, it's from another time it's worth a fortune to me but it ain't worth a dime

It's the only thing left 'round here that can keep me warm

You gave me these memories when we still believed in everything we could be

The future was a promise we were waiting for

Castles in the sand, paintings in the sky, they're fading now in the by and by

But I still wear them like I wear this old coat to keep me warm

Second Chorus 2X

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The colours are gone, they're time worn and torn

They're out of style, they're from another time, they're worth a fortune to me but they ain't worth a dime

[They're out of style, they're from another time, you gave them to me when you were mine – 2nd Chorus]

They're the only thing left 'round here that can keep me warm

This Old Guitar Remembers Everything

It won't be long now, the night will bring the dawn
It won't be long now, the hard times will be gone
It won't be long now, a smile will find your eyes
And we'll leave behind this bridge of sighs

It won't be long now, the night will find the day
It won't be long now, love will find a way
It won't be long now we'll find the good in what we can't change
And we'll break free of all these chains of blame

Chorus

We've been here before, and it wasn't long then
Til the forever darkness came to an end
It left a few hard memories but we kept a few good friends
And the songs we used to sing
And the warmth we shared in the winter waiting for spring
Yeah, those years they still ring through these strings
Cause this old guitar it remembers everything

It won't be long now, the sun is going to shine
It won't be long now we'll let go of what was left behind
It won't be long now, till the circle turns again
It won't be long now,..

Repeat Chorus

...yeah this old guitar remembers everything

This Same Old Road

Chorus

Using hate to fight hate, using war to fight war
Using righteous anger to fight righteous anger
Giving less, expecting more
Using threats to fight threats, using force to fight force
Using righteous righteousness to fight righteous righteousness
Using closed minds to fight closed doors

We've been down this same old road for thousands of years
Driven by what we think we know, we think we need, what we think we fear
Fuel for the fire, fighting wrong with wrong
On this same old road mouthing the same old song

Repeat Chorus

On this same old road trying to get somewhere new
Same old things we've always done, same old things we always do
Trying to find peace in a cold war machine
Trying to put out fires with gasoline

Repeat Chorus

Those Old Union Songs

The mill it shut down and the young left this town
Their parent's steel, turned to rust, now the scrappers, they come round

And the buildings now so empty, with their windows, broken and barred
But the ghosts they never left, sometimes you see them, in the yard

And the unions, once so strong, now they're busted and they're gone
But that wind it sometimes sings, those old union songs

Chorus

Once a city of the future, when the future was made of steel
Iron rail trains, ships and planes, and those big automobiles
'Til the money became the only master, it called the steps, the dance, the song
And the Yes Men all said "Yes Sir" 'till everything was gone

The lawyers they get legal, they litigate and they sue
Ah, it goes on for years, but then that mortgage comes due

So it's settled, for a pittance, of what's been lost and what's been owed
And there's a job down at Walmart, it's either that or the road

Repeat Chorus

... Except that wind, that sometimes sings, those old union songs

Three Minutes Of Gold

The boys of summer, the girls in their summer clothes
Riding the promise of guitars on the radio
Good vibrations on a nine volt music machine
Folk Rock Pop Motortown Rock 'n Roll

Transistor radio, played the hit parade
Strawberry fields and rainbow rides
The dreamers dreamed and the lovers leaped
The songs rode airwaves through the sky

Chorus

Trying to find that magic in three minutes of gold
Trying to ride through time on a song
Sometimes it's so real, I can feel it in my soul
But when I try to touch it, it's gone

The promise of tomorrow under a young summer sun
On that sugar mountain merry go round
Where the dreamers dreamed and the lovers leaped
Riding those air waves of radio sound

Repeat Chorus -2X

...yeah, when I try to touch it, it's gone
...those three minutes of gold in a song

Three Step Dance

You make your plans like you're in command, like you have a hand in every grain of sand

But that wind is going to blow where you don't want it to go

Between the secret silence and the warning signs, the sudden darkness that makes you blind

You try to find some kind of path between the good and evil you've known

All the wasted words and the wasted time, all the things you can't get out of your mind

Shapeless shadows on a nowhere road

Between the tree of knowledge and the tree of life, you walk through the night searching for a light

Trying to find some kind of path that will lead you home

Chorus

Slippin' and slidin', no one knows what's gonna' be

You hold on to what you know is true 'til you realize it's not what you believe

One step forward two steps back, in a three step dance

On this path through all that's been lost and found, between fate and circumstance

Too much, way too soon, it won't last too long

Once tomorrow was almost here now it's almost gone

Day to day negotiations, consultations and complications

Tryin' to find some kind of path between the right and the wrong

Repeat Chorus

Through The Glass Darkly

The days, the years, they're here and they're gone
I know I can't hold them, time marches on
The last tear, last fear, the last time, the last care
Here and gone on a wing and a prayer

Chorus

Through the glass darkly, a dream in a dream
Through the now and forever of what might have been
Will I know you, will you know me
In the afterlife, who will we be

We dance for the dream, we dance for the stars
We dance together, through the near and the far
We dance for reasons, we'll never know
In the end, we all will dance alone

Repeat Chorus

What will be said, what tale will be told
The promise of youth, in a world that's grown old
The last tear, last fear, the last time, the last care
Here and gone on a wing and a prayer

Repeat Chorus

... Will I know you, will you know me
In the afterlife, who will we be

Til Everything Is One

There's an old picture of you
With that look in your eyes
I'd see it in there sometimes
When you were waving goodbye

Like you knew it'd never be over
And you knew what lay ahead
And you knew all the words would be empty
And they'd be better left unsaid

Chorus

This old world will turn and those dark stars will burn
Til everything becomes one
And never again makes peace with forevermore
And with all that can never be undone

You looked back for just one moment
Then you smiled and you walked away
But your smile was sad like you knew the words were empty
And what had been said left nothing left to say

Repeat Chorus

...An empty street, a quiet evening
A bird it sings its evening song
Here for a moment 'til the moment disappears
It spreads its wings and then it's gone

Til He Runs Out Of Road

An old man out of time
On the other side of that right mind line
Sending the wrong signals, the wrong kind of signs
In the land of the compliant, the wanna be blind

Knows something's over, something's gone
Something's not right, something's wrong
Feels like some kind of Orwellian dawn
And that swan's singing a strange kind of song

Everything's upside down
The left's ended up on the right side of town
Free speech has gone underground
Along with open minds and words that have no sound

Grifters and cons and political games
Manufactured outrage, public shame
Manipulated minds, narratives arranged
Echo chamber tribes, laying blame

Chorus

He's seen so much but nothing like this before
Financial alchemy, forever wars
Screaming extremes, screaming for more
Thought police watching at the digital door
But he'll keep on moving through that fool's gold cold
Reaping what he knows should have never been sown
Letting go of what he knows he can't hold
Holding on 'til he runs out of road

A stranger in a getting stranger land
Shifting reality on shifting sands
A land the old man knows he'll never understand
And he knows he can't go back again

Like a rolling stone, all alone
A complete unknown, no direction home
You don't need a weatherman to know which way that wind is being blown

Til You're Mine Again

Now and forever, from now 'til then
I'll be passing time, 'til this cruel world becomes kind and you'll be mine again

I'll be chasing the wind, chasing the light
I'll be chasing the sun 'til once again we're one and I can find my way through the night

Bridge

One thing, leads to another, like it always does
A simple look, a simple smile, a simple touch, and in awhile
You're lost in love
One thing, leads to another, like it always does
A simple look, a simple smile, a simple touch, and in awhile
You're lost...

You might live in the shadows, you might put everything on a shelf
You might try to break free of everyone you see, but you'll never break free of yourself

You'll see it when you believe it, you'll know it when you know it's true
Your home is where my heart is and my heart won't be home 'til it's with you

Time Can't Stand Still

The water's warm, the sun is bright, it shines its' light on a peaceful shore
A perfect moment between what will be and all that came before
But now is never forever, things will change they always have and will
Time can do almost anything but it can't stand still

The shadows are long from all that's come and gone
The good the bad, and the sad, the right and the wrong
The days of summer disappear into a cold autumn chill
Time can do almost anything but it can't stand still

Chorus

Time can get lost and time can get found, it won't turn around, it won't back down
Time will tell, time will heal, in time it's time that will reveal
The truth of what's passed and what will be, what the future will hold for you and me
What'll be the price and who'll pay the bill, time can do almost anything but it can't stand still

The wheel it turns round and round on this carousel of time
There's so many faces and places long gone that still live in my mind
I can't hold on, I can't let go, nothing lasts and nothing ever will
Time can do almost anything but it can't stand still

Repeat Chorus

... time can do almost anything but it can't stand still
... time can do almost anything but it can't stand still

Time For A Toupee

Went to my barber he said my hair was getting thin
Used to be my crowning glory, not there's not much there but a bunch of skin

He said I got a solution here, a lotion made of cow dung
It'll make your skillet a mullet but there's no refund

Chorus

It's time for a toupee, I think I'll look OK
Like Nicolas Cage, William Shatner, Elton John
Sean Connery, the list goes on and on
John Travolta, Tony Bennet, Robin Gibb
Even Frank Sinatra wore a rug on his lid
It's time for a toupee

Ground mice, horse teeth, urine and bear grease, the fat of a tomcat, a rat, a crocodile
Apply it to the scalp, leave it on for a few weeks, even longer don't mind the smell

They say castration works but it never caught on, a transplant, a hair weave, a scalp reduction
Snake oil cures for the chrome dome man, solutions for my cue ball cranium

Repeat Chorus

...With my new head of hair, people will look my way
They won't know what to say
It's time for a toupee
They'll be blown away, with my new toupee
It's time for a toupee
...it's time for a toupee
...it's time for a toupee

Time Has A Way

The child stood alone, while he held his mother's hand
Most of what he saw, he didn't understand
When the circus came to town he rode every ride
Still, the only secrets he'd give away were the ones he couldn't hide
But time has way of changing your mind

The girls were pretty and they talked all night
While the neon sign, gave off it's good time light
Everything is new, but only for a while
Then it's a tired old game, with a slightly different style
But time has a way of changing your mind

Chorus

When the story keeps changing,
It just depends on your point of view
And the things that you believe,
Well that depends on the things you do
Nobody gets hurt, if nobody cares
Yeah, it might work fine, but it goes nowhere
So he painted a picture, in the usual way
With lots of colour, and nothing to say
The B movie actor, he'll play any role
Cause he knows no one can touch him,
If they can't find his soul
But time has a way, of changing your mind

If we could see the future, would we crawl back to the past
Where we'd learn again that nothing ever lasts
Most of what I know, I'll never understand
But if you still want me, I'll do the best I can
Cause time has a way of changing your mind

...yeah time has a way of changing your mind

Time's March

A golden time, in the warm sunshine
I was yours, you were mine
Love was ours, and we'd let it shine
Through everything we'd do, in that sweet summertime

Thinkin' about, all I'll never do again
All the bridges that got burned, between now and then
And I don't know the future, and I don't know when
And I don't want to know, how the story ends

Chorus-1

Ooh ... Forgotten memories
Ooh ... Forgotten songs
Ooh ...Forgotten promises
Ooh ...Forgotten gone

Tryin' to think, of something that'll break through to you
Something old, something new, borrowed or blue
I don't know why, I do the things that I do
All I know is I could never, dance with anyone like I could dance with you

Chorus-2

Ooh ... It's a long road
Ooh ... We tried, I know
Ooh ... Time, it won't let go
Ooh ... Time, where did it go

Time's Timeless Time (Pompeii)

Ancient places, traces of the faces
Who lived lives on the other side of the great beyond
They were all here together, part of the great now and forever
Trying to get it all in before it all was gone

The girls looked so pretty with their come hither eyes
And the boys tried to show them how high they could fly
They danced that ageless dance
They held each other in a romance trance
Under that endless sky

Chorus

Laughter and love and joy and pain like us, they rode life's timeless roads
Sometimes you find them in what they left behind
Laneways and cobblestones, what's left of used to be someone's home
Paintings with a mystical glow, sacred shrines
Ah, they're long gone now but they still ride these waves of time

The children cried, the old men sighed
The young searched for answers, the reasons why
The years flew by and the dreamers tried
To find a path into a new dawn sky

All here together
All one with the great now and forever
That waits for us all on the other side of goodbye
That waits for us on the other side of this earthly ride

Repeat Chorus

...and sometimes you find them in what they left behind
...in the now and forever of time's timeless time

Time's Timeless Wheel

They say he's out of touch, they say he's old
Out of place in a modern time
Well maybe he is 'cause he's, already moved on
Broke free of this world's lures, left them behind

Been a few missteps, a few mistakes
Doesn't worry 'bout, any of it, anymore
You can't look back you can't change the past, make sense of it or make it last
He's moved on, and he's closed those doors

Chorus

They call it dementia, a mind in absentia
As he fumbles and stumbles, through one more day
The promise of youth, he lived it once
Until youth's illusions slipped away
He walked through love's burning fire, lived on the fine line of life's high wire
Fell a few times, rode the winds of change
He carries it all in the lines of his face but now he's moved on to another place
And time's timeless wheel spins 'round again

Tonight there'll be a dinner, he'll shuffle in
He'll smile an old man smile, give an old man wave
Yeah the lures of this old world, can't hold him anymore
He's moved on, his mind's already gone and he's on his way

Repeat Chorus

... yeah, time's timeless wheel spins 'round again

Tired Of What I Know

You live in the shadows, put everything on a shelf
Break free of everyone, you can't break free of yourself
I'm getting tired of what I know
Can't hold on or let go

Get mixed up in things, that get all mixed up
Running on faith, cause you've run out of luck
I'm getting tired of what I know
Can't hold on or let go

Chorus

The movies in your mind, don't make sense sometime
People long gone are here again
They smile, they wave, you try to touch them but they fade away
You wake up before it ends
You always knew how it was going to end
And you always knew you can't go back again

Dead eyes and a shark smile, a vacant stare
Don't look too close, there's nobody there
I'm getting tired of what I know
Can't hold on or let go

Repeat Chorus

I'm getting tired of what I know
I'm getting tired of what I see
I'm getting tired of what I hear
I'm getting tired of what I speak
I'm getting tired of what know...

Tomorrow And Yesterday

Went to the store bought some new shoes
Bought a coffee, read the news
Felt pretty good, made my peace with the blues and
Tomorrow and yesterday

Called you up said you want to come by
We could have a laugh 'bout how we tried
To make me yours and make you mine
In tomorrow and yesterday

Chorus

It was almost here, now it's almost gone
No need to go, on and on
Who was right, who was wrong,
'Bout tomorrow or yesterday
Nobody knows what we went through
The things we did and what we'll never do
I'm Ok just to sit here with you
Between tomorrow and yesterday

You said ...I'll meet you downtown in the evening light
I always liked you before we started to fight
If we don't talk about them we'll be alright
Tomorrow or yesterday

I got rose coloured glasses for what we've seen
A looking glass for what could've been
But we don't need them now we're OK here between
Tomorrow and yesterday
...we're OK now, right here between
Tomorrow and yesterday

Repeat Chorus

Too Much Body, Not Enough Hair

Had a date with a sweet little uptown gal, She was nice, I could tell
She was hanging off, every word I said, nothing but, good times ahead
Walked her home, tried to kiss her on the front porch stairs
She says, Sorry Johnny too much body, not enough hair

Chorus

Too much body, not enough hair, You might have style, you might have flair
You might be a charmer, debonair, You might make a statement with the funky clothes
you wear
But the girls [the boss / undertaker] won't like it, you'll be out of there
When you got – Too much body, not enough hair

Saw in the classifieds a job for me, sitting in an office, making ends meet
Talked to the boss, said I was qualified, but he was going to have to hire some other guy
I said "What", he said I know it aint fair
But you got, too much body, not enough hair

Repeat Chorus

Got some chicken from the Colonol's place, Tasted pretty good I was stuffing my face
Eating too fast started choking on a bone, Noone to do the Heimlech I died alone
Undertaker made it a closed casket affair
He said there's too much body, not enough hair

Repeat Chorus

Tower Of Babel

My digital world, my digital wall
My digital tower, it'll never fall
I speak the right language, I speak the right truth
I read what I believe, I won't listen or receive any contaminating point of view

Chorus

Polarized, the other side is full of lies
They're hypnotized, their truth is just manipulated lies
Universalized, we'll build our digital tower right up to the skies
No compromise, no need to try to understand what we won't recognize

These digital towers, they babel on
Higher and higher, singing their song, we're right and everybody else is wrong
Everyone's talkin', nobody listens, nobody tries to understand
Digital noise, the Tower Of Babel is back again

Repeat Chorus

Trickle Down

I read in the paper, we got a brand new plan
We're gonna let the rich get richer, as rich as they can

With all that money goin round, well some crumbs are bound to fall
But we got to work harder and we got to work faster cause there's not enough crumbs for us all

Chorus

And we're waiting for the trickle down
We're wainting for the trickle down

Gonna roll back social policy, gonna shut down some schools,
Get rid of some of these hospital beds, make some brand new rules

Anyone who falls behind, well they're just not keeping up,
Meaner and leaner, there's no room for in-betweeners, just play the game and shut-up

Repeat Chorus

There's nothing wrong with the system, the problems with me and you
And there'll be a nice payday for the governor, if he does what he's told to do

Gonna...tax the poor while the rich ride free
Gonna...sell guns to fund the military
Gonna...buy cheap labour out of third world poverty
Call it a...trickle down economy
Well get out of the way...democracy

Repeat Chorus

True Part Of The Lie

I pull out of the driveway
Just the road, the night, the sky
We might be lost but we're not finished
That's the true part of the lie

I don't know what you're saying
You don't know why you try
But we still hear love's whisper
That's the true part of the lie

Chorus

Once more for the good times
Once more for all the reasons why
Once more let me hold you
The true part of the lie

I let you go but you hang on
You shake your head, you just sigh
Yeah, it's hard to walk away from
The true part of the lie

Repeat Chorus

Your voice is just a whisper, You say,
We might be lost you and I
But some things last forever
That's the true part of the lie

Trying To Find A Way

The fortune teller told me what I wanted to hear
Vanity's shadow made the guilt disappear
In the devil's playground, the sirens sang their song
The con played on and I sang along

Me and my conscious we both knew the score
But neither of us spoke like we were in a cold war
The shadows grew dark under the beguiling light
The night felt good but it never felt right – now I'm...

Chorus

Trying to find a way back into heaven
Trying to find a way from here to my home
Trying to find a way to turn this darkness back into day
Trying to find a way to roll away this stone

I broke up on the rocks, the debt came due
The promise wasn't real I always knew it wasn't true
Trying to break free of the shadows in my mind
Trying to break free of what my conscious can't leave behind

Repeat Chorus

...trying to find a way, from this tree of good and evil
Trying to find a way its fruit and branches overgrown
Trying to find a way from what I've been and what I've seen
Trying to find a way back from these things I wish I'd never known

...trying to find a way back into heaven

Twilight Avenue

Time unwinds in the shadows of my mind
Where I know I'll find the ghost of me and you
And all the times we tried, and all the times we couldn't say goodbye
(As we went) back and forth on twilight avenue

The town hall clock keeps time as I walk
Through what I should have done and didn't do
Over and over and over again
Back and forth on twilight avenue

Chorus

Too many times I left you alone
Even though I was in the room
You were always right and I was never wrong
As day turned to night on twilight avenue

I could call to see if you're OK, but there's nothing new or much to say
We've gone round and round and round what we went through
We could go down that road again but we both know where it would end
We'd just go back and forth on twilight avenue

Repeat Chorus

...too many times what I'd want and what you'd need
Got lost in the day to day balance due
I lived in my mind, way too many times
As day turned to night on twilight avenue
...in the fading light of twilight avenue

Twisted Song

You can build a great big lie out of a little bit of truth, and never know where you went wrong

If you can get some meaning out of these twisted words, you can have this twisted song

Chorus

Some people get lost, and others they just roam

The country singer whines about what he once had

If I play this song backwards, maybe we can all go home

That used to be funny, but now it's just sad

I picked you up but I, I let you down, I guess that makes me just like all the rest

It wouldn't matter so much if I could just get it out of my mind, how you used to think I was one of the best

The walls come down and then the walls go back up, the look of love becomes an accusation

But the end of anything no matter how sad, is always a kind of liberation

Repeat Chorus

Time goes by no, it doesn't care, one more day, one more year

Maybe you'll feel safe if you, live in the past, turn your life into one big souvenier

Repeat Chorus

You can build a great big lie out of a little bit of truth, and never know where you went wrong

If you can get some meaning out of these twisted words, you can have this twisted song

Two More For Saint Jude

There's a patron saint for the dangers of the sea
And a patron saint for the struggles of the family
And one for lost causes, like dreams that never come true
...like me and like you
...yeah, two more for Saint Jude

There's a patron saint for the old, the cold days to come
And a patron saint for all that never got done
There's one for lost causes, like wishes that never come true
...like me and like you
...yeah, two more for Saint Jude

Bridge

There's a patron saint for the poor and all they've been through
For the mystics who search for why the bell tolls and for whom
For a lost cause that got lost way too soon
...like me and like you
...yeah, two more for Saint Jude

There's a patron saint for the homeless, the falsely accused
For soldiers and sailors, for carneys and carpenters too
And one for lost causes, like promises that never come true
...like me and like you
...we're two more for Saint Jude
...yeah me and you

Two Old Friends

Two old friends at autumn's end
Waiting for that silent winter snow
A quiet peace, a word, a smile, a quiet laugh once in a while
A quiet letting go of what they know they'll never know
Another turn of time's timeless wheel
The days fade away but the memories get more real
On a park bench at the end of the day
Two old men who've found their way
Through all the never agains and the nevermores
Two old men, two old friends
Sharing a moment one more time again
In a world that isn't theirs anymore

“How's the grandkids, how's your heart
I hear they're calling for snow
Did you hear about Joe, I heard he passed away at the home
I thought he was doing OK but you never know
Remember those songs we used to sing
When the girls were so pretty and we thought we knew everything”
Watching the day to day parade on a park bench yeah, they're OK
They've made their peace with what they couldn't change
Two old men, two old friends
Sharing a moment one more time again
In the fading light of autumn's end
...Two old friends

Unfinished Love

It's way past midnight, and a long way from the morning light
A thousand miles away from home
I'm a stranger in the dark, a troubled mind, a broken heart
I'm a stranger to myself when I'm alone

Off in the distance I can see the future burning
And a sound drifts over the ruins
A song once so sweet before the drummer lost the beat
And the fiddler, no longer played love's tune

Chorus

I'm on this late night phone 'cause you're the only other one who knows
What it was that you and I went through
The tender nights, the sick and tired fights
The highs and lows wrapped in shades of blue
All that's left is a memory of what our future used to be
'til who was right and who was wrong got in the way
Of this unfinished love, and all these unfinished promises
That we still carry with us today

The unfinished thought, the unfinished dream
Wrapped in silent solitude
Still the unfinished portrait of our unfinished future
Waits for me to find my way back to you

Repeat Chorus

Unintended Consequences

I gave you all I had, my heart, my soul, my mind
I closed my eyes when you were asking for one more chance, one more time
I gave you what I thought was love, my sun, my moon, my stars, Now I'm here
with this empty glass, a wiser mind and a broken heart

Chorus

Unintended consequences, I couldn't see, but they found me
Unintended consequences, lessons learned 'bout fires and getting burned

On that broken heart ride, I lost my way, but I kept my pride
And what you thought was success, I wanted less and less
Cause when your eyes get open, chains and locks get broken
Freed from desires I detest, unanticipated side effect of...

Repeat Chorus

...Unintended consequences, all the great grand plans that were never in my hands
Unintended consequences, reaping what was sewn, the great unknown
...butterfly wings, rippling
...cross the great unknown, changing everything

Upbeat Sing-Along Songs

Set 1 – Got myself a gig down at the local bar & grill cafe
Play my tunes for the people while they while away the time of day
Maybe one would touch someone way down in their soul
Maybe make them feel like they're not so all alone
But no one heard the music it was time to go ...it sounded like

Chorus

Hey don't you know any upbeat, sing along songs
You're clearing the room with your dirgy, whiny, wailing marathon
My girlfriend wants to leave she says she's bored she's been here way too long
Hey don't you know any upbeat, sing along songs

Set 2 – OK I'll be here for the money, now I know that I'm here for the show
I play all the hits every cover song that I know
I do the job, a song and dance band man
Now we're all getting along, give that man a hand
Well it's what I'm doing but it's not, what I am

Set 3 – I've been here all night now it's just about closing time
I'll play one last cover and I'll say all the right lines
Collect the money pay the toll
Pleasant entertainment, I guess that's my role
Made it through but I lost a little piece of my soul

Repeat Chorus

Waiting

Waiting for the dark time tide to turn
Waiting for some kind of healing word
Waiting for that rainbow sky
Waiting for that smile in your eyes

Waiting for some kind of sign
Waiting for those bells to chime
Waiting for a forgiving hand
Waiting to see your eyes smile again

Chorus

Waiting for what's left of a broken heart
To dream sweet dreams under those night time stars
And shine with the morning sun and the brand new day
Waiting to see your eyes smile again

Waiting for the strength to be strong
Waiting for the dark days to be gone
Waiting for some kind of peace between now and then
Waiting to see the smile in your eyes again

Repeat Chorus

...waiting

Waiting At God's Gate

Waiting for the morning to come
Waiting for the waiting to end
Waiting for that rising sun
Waiting to believe again

Watching for a look, a word
A sign that the blind might see
Still on this road, with its twists and its turns
Its reasons to doubt the reasons to believe

Chorus

You might say you don't know which way that wind is going to blow
But deep in your soul you always knew
That your old, your new, what you borrowed, who you made you blue
Yeah, time's debts, they're gonna follow you
Now you wait at God's gate for some mercy and grace to see you through

The days they pass, faster with the years
The joy, the tears, the souvenirs, the right and the wrong
Your time and your place, your fiction and your fate
Waiting for the waiting to be gone

Repeat Chorus

...And maybe say a prayer or two
...Before time's debts become due

Waiting For A Little Bit Of Grace

I picked her up, and I brought her home this morning
To this house where our life together began
I said the weather's not too bad this morning
She just nodded, she smiled, she took my hand

Well the doctor talked to her this morning
Said there wasn't much that anyone could do
I got her in the house, made some tea, she settled down and tried to sleep
Now we're living with what I think we already knew

Chorus

And we're waiting for a miracle, waiting for a prayer to be heard
Waiting for the light, waiting for the right, words
Waiting for some wisdom, before it gets too late
Waiting for, a little bit of grace

The rising morning sun belongs to the dawn
The moon and the stars belong in the night sky
You and me and our memories, we might belong to another time
But your hand will always belong here with mine, while we're...

Repeat Chorus

... yeah we're waiting for, a little bit of grace

Waiting For That Moment

How..... long, will your heart..... hold on
To what went wrong a long, long time ago

Seasons change, you try to let go but it always ends up the same
Again and again your mind's like a runaway train.....
Round and round, over and over, again

Chorus

Try to think it all through, again and again, but all the thinking you do won't make it
go..... away
It'll be there in the middle of your sleepless night and it'll be there when you turn to face
that morning light.....

Waiting for that moment when it doesn't hurt anymore
Waiting for that moment when your heart will let you close that door
Waiting for that moment when you're strong enough to let go and let..... the Lord
Free you from that moment for now and forevermore

Repeat Chorus

Waiting For Their Turn

A shifting morning sky, gray and blue
The times are going to change and there's nothing you can do
They come and they go, the clouds, the rain and the rainbows
Nothing lasts forever, well now you know

Watching for some kind of sign
Wondering who's going to be next in line
You make your plans, you do the best you can, but in the end it's out of your hands
Praying for just one more time

Chorus

Found an old school picture, from another world
A bunch of smiling faces, nine year old boys and girls
Innocent innocence, pebbles and pearls
Waiting for their turn on time's shape shifting tilt a whirl

Time comes around, knocks on the door
Looking for one of those smiling faces you knew from years before
It sings its sweet, sad, swan song and one by one they're gone
To the land of never again and nevermore
To the land of never again, forevermore

Repeat Chorus

Waiting For You To Come Home

The parlour is empty, the kitchen is getting cold
The paint is cracked and dry, this place is getting old
The shingles are lifting, where those wild restless winds have blown
But that door is still open waiting for you to come home

The rooms are so quiet just the sound of this guitar
It's not what I wanted but it's the way that these things are
No shouts no songs no laughter, nobody on the phone
Just me and a few, memories waiting for you to come home

Chorus

The clock on the wall, keeps track of the time
The minutes move forward while I fall behind
I'm not afraid to look back, I've already turned to stone
Waiting for you to miss me, while I wait for you to come home

The windows are closed, it's getting cold outside
But not as cold as this place, where I'm all alone with what's left of my pride
Everything's here, but nothing's where it belongs
I can't find the love that I've been looking for since you've been gone

Repeat Chorus

Walking Each Other Home

That pendulum is going to swing
Right to left and back again
As round and round and round the sun we go
Til wrong gives way to right
The darkness finds a shining light
And we see again what we've always known
We're all just walking each other home

Chorus

Walking together into the great unknown
A mystical forever
Where we'll never walk alone
Sometimes the path is clear
Other times it disappears
And then there's times we're shown what we've always known
We're all just walking each other home

My side, your side
The right side, the wrong side
Back and forth and round and round we go
Through what we've seen and what we know
The push and pull for the money and the show
Till we remember what we've always known
We're all just walking each other home

Repeat Chorus

...We're all just walking each other home
...We're all just walking each other home

Walls Go Up

Angels are callin' but the ghosts are back again
You can run but they'll find you in the end
You knew they were comin' but you didn't know when
The ghosts are back again

Face to face with a memory
Face to face with, who I thought I'd be
Irony, fate and destiny
Nothing's guaranteed

Chorus

The shadows wait while you pretend
That nothing's changed, time's still your friend
Your guilt it shows where you been – And the...
Walls go up again, walls go up again, walls go up again

The ghosts have returned to have their way
I don't know what they want, they won't say
Some kind of release from a debt they can't pay
...but I've got nothin' – I've got nothin' -
- they've come to the wrong place ...I've got nothin'

Repeat Chorus

Wasted Time

Oh you won't make me cry anymore, No you won't make me cry anymore
Cause honey what you flaunt, ain't nothing that I want
No you won't make me cry anymore

Oh you won't make me blind anymore, No you won't make me blind anymore
Cause honey your disguise, ain't covered by your lies
No, you won't make me blind anymore

Oh Darling I have wasted so much time,
Just trying to figure out what's on your mind

Oh you won't make me poor anymore, No you won't make me poor anymore
Cause honey your big spending, has finally met its ending
No, you won't make me poor anymore

Oh Darling I have finally broken free
Of your self-serving rule of tyranny

Oh you won't make me mad anymore, No you won't make me mad anymore
Cause honey there's no fire, in the cold coals of desire
No, you won't make me mad anymore

Watching The Parade

Watching the parade, passing through
Watching the parade, I'm thinking of you
Are you in there somewhere, feeling blue
Watching the parade, passing through

Listen to the jingle jangle, listen to the screams
Looking for the lost hope, following the dreams
Multi-coloured carousels, multi-coloured schemes
Listen to the jingle jangle, listen to the screams

Chorus

Where did the lost reasons go
Born crying “yes” when the answer is “no”
A child with a dime and a dream of his own
Where did the lost reasons go

Faces, places, flashing on my screen
And I keep wondering, what does it mean
When I was a boy well we'd line up on the side of road
Watching the parade, watching everybody do what they're told

Listen to the jingle jangle, listen to the screams
Looking for the lost hope, following the dreams
Multi-coloured carousels, multi-coloured schemes
Listen to the jingle jangle, listen to the screams

Repeat Chorus

We Didn't Know

Chorus

We didn't know, we were in the garden
We didn't know that forever could end
We didn't know how the chains of desire can drive a devil's bargain
We didn't know 'til we couldn't find the way back in

We had it all but we wanted more
Tried to find redemption on temptation's forbidden shore
The bridges burned, the devil smiled as he closed the door
Now we live East of Eden in the land of nevermore

Repeat Chorus

It was never here but now it's never gone
The shadowed darkness buried deep inside a deceiving dawn
You make a deal with the devil then you learn to live with what's gone
And you sing along with that swan's goodbye song

Repeat Chorus

...We didn't know we were in the garden
We didn't know how real it could be
Til the fires of desire drove a devil's bargain
And left the ashes of a love that'll never let us be free
...the ashes of an innocence that used to be you and me

We Got Enough

Turn out the lights, close the door
No need to keep or even the score
We've got enough, we don't need anything more

A sacred silence, the middle of the crowd
Humbled by the beauty of the here and the now
And every blessing this world will allow

Chorus

The sun and the stars in the sky
The love that still burns between you and I
The waters, the waves, the first light of a brand new day
Every reason I'm glad to be alive

Breaking out, breaking through
Making peace with the old and the new
And everything we did and didn't do

Here together through the highs and the lows
Hold me close, don't let go
We've known so much but there's still so much to be known

Repeat Chorus

Turn out the lights, close the door
No need to keep or even the score
We've got enough, we don't need anything more
... We've got enough, we don't need anything more

Wedding Song

We wait and we wait for tomorrow to come
And when it does well, something's lost and something's won
To have and to hold 'till death do we part
You want to keep the ones you love, close to your heart

What can anyone say well, we can only smile
It seems we forget that, everything's, only for awhile
They cry then they crawl, they walk 'till they run
Turn around they're leaving home, it might be over but it's never done

Chorus 1

And a mother remembers a child in her arms
And a father remembers a little girls charms
From childhood fears to teenage tears you were never alone
But today is yours, now you go to your new home ...to your new home

Can anyone say why, it always seems
We lose each other as we follow our dreams
But memories shared yesterday's
They'll light tomorrow's path, and guide tomorrow's ways

Chorus 2

And a father remembers a child in his arms
And a mother remembers a little boys charms
From childhood fears to teenage tears you were never alone
But today is yours, now you go to your new home...

Welcome Home My Brother

Over the bridge and through the darkness
Out of the night into the light
Take my hand I'll walk with you
Into a new morning dawn, so bright

What's gone is gone, what's done is done
And all the rest is written in your soul
All that was and what will never be
Nothing left but the letting go

Chorus

After all is said and done, we'll make peace with the setting sun
And know that the best is yet to come
On the other side of this earthly ride
Where that circle is unbroken and we all become one
Welcome home my brother, well done

Alone together, together alone, already gone, almost home
On a rainbow ride to the other side of everything we've known

From the middle of the midway to the side of the road
There's so many ways those winds have blown
There's so much we've seen, there's so much we've known
And so much love that would never let us go

Repeat Chorus – 2X

...Welcome home my brother, well done

Welcome To Scamland

I got a call from the taxman
Said legal action was coming my way
There were outstanding taxes that had to be paid
Don't be late, no time to waste, there's a warrant for your arrest
Send that money right now and we can put this matter to rest

I got a text that told me, I could make a million easily
This'll be the best investment I'm ever going to see
I got texts from ladies promising love, Nigerian princes promising riches
Send money now, don't delay it's just a click away

Chorus - Welcome to Scamland, look out here comes one now
Another and another and another and another every time you turn around
Something for nothing or some kind of emergency
Just send money now along with your identity...that's all we need

Now you walk right by, someone in need, someone almost gone
You don't know if it's real or some kind of con
You don't answer the phone, the door's kept locked like there's no one home
Just a silent video glow behind curtains that are drawn

You don't know what's real, you don't trust what you feel
In more ways than one you've already been hacked
Scam after scam, they've destroyed your faith in your fellow man
Those hijackers voided our social contract

Repeat Chorus

...Scams on your phone, on the street, at your door
Everywhere you look there's more and there's more
You've been specially chosen to receive the latest spam
You and a million others living here in the land of the scam
...here in Scamland...Scamland

We'll Be OK

Time to get up, time to get back at it again
Try to find a way through the old, the new, the now and the then
Walking 'neath the sanguine sunshine, turn my face to the morning sky
We're OK and it'll be alright by and by

One foot in front of the other, one step at a time
A dream for tomorrow and a prayer for what got left behind
One door closes, another opens and the darkness gives way to the light
Nothing stays the same, but we're OK and it'll be alright

Chorus

Water under the bridge, I watch it flow by
Sometimes fast and sometimes slow, sometimes a river of whys
Between the sad truth and the beguiling lies
I say my prayers and I close my eyes
Til somewhere in the night
The dark turns to morning light and becomes
A brand new day, yeah we'll be OK
And it'll all be alright

A summertime sun wrapped in a dreamtime dream
A broken road back from the what might have been
A lot of water under the bridge and some blood on the tracks
But we're OK and it'll be alright, all things they pass

Repeat Chorus

...a brand new day, yeah we'll be OK
And it'll all be alright

We're All Broken

A broken love, a broken heart
A silence no one can break
She knew he was gone before he, walked out that door
Now a silent sadness is all that waits

Chorus

We're all broken in our own ways
All broken...
We're all broken in our own ways
All broken...

Walkin' straight, walkin' tall
A well respected, driven man
But the shadow of an unforgiving memory
Won't let him calm his shaking hands

Repeat Chorus

Bridge - Should've said, should've done
Should've walked, should've run
Should've left, should've stayed
Should've been strong, should've been brave
We're all broken in our own ways
All broken...

Broken thoughts, broken words
Broken pieces of a broken dream
Flying high, on a broken wing
Over all the broken pieces of what could've been

Repeat Chorus

...all broken

We're All One

We're all one, we're all one
What I do to you, it comes back to me
Every kindness, every weakness, every strength, every deceit
'Cause we're all one

Yeah, sometimes you see it, the brotherhood of man
A smile, a Samaritan's helping hand
We're all in this together, no one alone
White, yellow, brown and black all trying to find a way back home
We're all one

Saw a man give his coat to a shivering soul
Hold a homeless stranger, let him know he's not alone
Saw an old enemy and a reconciled friend
Break bread together, walk in peace again
Saw a poor man forgive, a rich man's paper crime
He'd rather live on the street than let hate poison his mind
Saw a rich man let go, of his chains of greed and gold
Lose his heart to humility and find the path to his soul

Cause we're all one, we're all one
Travelers on this train, living with the joy, heartache and pain
Pilgrims on this road, trying to hold on to our souls
Yeah, we're all one

Saw a strong man, turn the other cheek
Use his strength to lift up, the lost and the weak
Saw both sides pray for peace, lay down their guns
'cause nobody wins a war when we're all one
Saw an ordinary man, walk through an ordinary day
Do a simple act of kindness, in an ordinary way
Saw a wise man, pray a humble prayer
To the God that walks here among us, everywhere
...cause we're all one – 3X

What Matters Is What You Do

You left me here, all alone
Watching late night movies, staring at the phone
You left me here, all alone
In this place, that used to be our home

A bottle of wine, some cigarettes
Nothing new, nothing's happening yet
You left me here, all alone
In this place, we used to call our home

Chorus

You can live in your mind, cause no one understands you
But it's not who you think you are, what matters is what you do
Sometimes I run hot, sometimes I run cold
Mostly I just miss you, but that song is getting old

I was talking to an old friend, he was asking about you
I said you took a holiday, he knew it wasn't true
I'm getting tired of walking, from room to room
I'm getting tired of saying, you'll be coming home soon

Repeat Chorus

I'm sorry for all the times I made you cry
I'm sorry if I let you down, I know you think I didn't try
You can live in your mind, cause no one understands you
But it's not who you think you are, what matters is what you do

What Might Have Been

I called you tonight, to say hello, it's been too long, where does the time go
I had a vision, I had a dream, just file it under, what might have been

A second chance, one more time, did we learn anything, did we pay for our crimes
Understand, the give and the take, the love you get equals the love you make

Chorus

Upside down, inside out, we've been round and round this thing, I've forgot what it's about

Wise men say, forgive and forget, come on over here, it's not over yet

Don't you get tired of this, hanging around, we do what we do and we wait for the rebound

Stale mate, checkmate, who came first, the right or the wrong, the blessed or the cursed

Repeat Chorus

I called you tonight, to say hello, it's been too long, where does the time go
I had a vision, I had a dream, just file it under, what might have been

What We Knew

Five kids in a small mining town
Seven days a week that mine it never shut down
But the friends you made are the friends you still hold dear
And those young memories are still so clear
...that's what you knew

In an old house on street by the lake
No money just the love that kept us safe
Six kids in the summer sun with brand new friends
Things have a way of working out in the end
...that's what we knew

Chorus

The seasons fly by, winter, spring, summer, fall
Still the life that you live is a gift to us all
And the love that you've shown still carries us today
It lights the path, it guides us on our way
...it's what we've known

Every Sunday off to church we would go
To thank God for the love we had known
Trust in the ways of the Lord
Through the storms of life he'll lead you to the shore
...that's what we knew

The years yield the fruit that's been sown
Children having children of their own
Where you go depends on where you are from
Who and who's you are is what you become
...that's what we know

Repeat Chorus

...it's what we've known

What You Going To Be

Chorus

What you going to be...
What you going to see...
When you look at your mother and me
What you going to be...

Everything is different, when it's brand new
Everything that you touch, everything that you do
A child reaches out for his mother, looking for someplace warm
A mother reaches back for her child, tries to keep him from harm
And I say...

Repeat Chorus

Sometimes this old world, will seem like it's all wrong
But don't give in, don't give up, no matter how long
Changes will come and changes will go, they'll take you away far
Only thing that I can say is, always be what you are

Repeat Chorus

What's Left

A fall fair parade in a little town, the marching band, the merry-go-round
A hint of what's coming is in the air, a whisper of winter, maybe it was always there
Young couple strolling with the baby in-between, an old couple holding hands, remembering
What they've seen and where they've been, since a young woman walked with a young man's dream

Chorus

The sun's shining down on what's left of the day, what's left of all that's slipped away
And what's left of what's been is everywhere, from a baby's smile to an old man's prayer

Things are warming up and the sun's going down and the band's trying to find some kind of fall fair sound
Watermelon, candy floss, a lemonade stand, girls in their ripped jeans watching the boys in the band
The young couple's heading home time to put the babe to sleep, the old couple share a smile, so knowing, so sweet
At peace with a world that's not theirs anymore, with what's left of what, it all was for

Repeat Chorus

...the music breaks through to what's left of what's gone, a half remembered line in a sweet, sad song
Love breaks through to what's left of what it's known, like a simple touch that let you know that you were home

What's Left Of Love

Nighttime downtown, the city noise, the city sounds, driftin' through the now, thinking 'bout then

He sees her across the street, she looks up, their eyes meet, and what's left of love comes round again

There's so much unspoken, 'bout the years they shared and the hearts that got so broken, but they just smile and they wave

He walks on remembering, that love song he once tried to sing, he got the words all wrong but the tune never went away

Under the same stars he walks to the old man's bar, it's quiet, and they'll let you be
One more lined face in this dark sheltering place, one more old man trying to deal with a memory

The waitress smiles haven't seen you here for a while, I hope everything's OK
He says I'm good, I think, I just need a drink, to keep me warm and then I'll be on my way

Chorus

He/She thought he/she was free, but you're never free of your memory, sometimes a look, a glance will throw that old door open

It all comes back the tender nights, the passion, the pointless fights, the promises made and broken

He/She stares at the phone, should he/she call or leave what's done alone, let love's sleeping dogs lie

What's left might never be gone but it's probably best to just keep moving on and try to leave what's left of love behind

When she saw him today and he smiled and he waved, she knew somewhere that old flame, it still burned

She could tell he felt the same, it'd be so easy to forget the pain and leave all those lessons unlearned

Cause sometimes people change, sometimes lives can be rearranged, the who, the why, the when, the where, the how

She can't remember it all, but she knows she doesn't know if she wants him to call, if it didn't work then why would it work now

Repeat Chorus

...try to leave what's left of love behind

When Everything Goes So Much Remains

Setting the table, watching the door
With her souvenirs and memories of life's sweet rewards
Her children are gone, her husband passed away
Praying for tomorrow, living with today

She puts on her coat, turns her collar to the wind
And for a moment the sun makes her feel young again
Like when the boys said she was pretty, with her ribbons and her bows
And they took her dancing, with their promises of rainbows

She walks by the fairgrounds where she rode the carasoul
And the night's sweet delight of candy cane and caramel
She walks past the church, past the school, past the café
Where she laughed and cried, riding young love's highway

She stops by the graveyard, so many so long gone
Leaves a flower, says a prayer, sings that sweet sad old song
Well I know, what I know, but my words can't explain
Why when everything goes, so much remains

Home again, sitting by the door
With her souvenirs and memories of life's sweet rewards
Now the light is fading on this late afternoon
But her ghosts will keep her company, they're everywhere in this room

Well I know, what I know, but my words can't explain
Why when everything goes, so much remains
Well I know, what I know, but my words can't explain
Why when everything goes, so much remains

When I Fell In Love With You

Never saw you before
Like I'm seeing you now
I may have got a hint, nothing more
Only what heaven would allow

You found my heart, you touched my soul
I don't know why, I don't know how
Cause there's not much left there, that I haven't sold
Only what heaven will allow

Chorus

The dream was over, the good times were gone
The day was grey, the sun couldn't break through
I thought... Nothing could be right but I was so wrong
Cause that's when I fell in love with you

Never held you like this
A touch, a promise, a sacred vow
The look of love, a smile, a kiss
And all that heaven will allow

Repeat Chorus

The dream was over, the good times were gone
Seen it all before, the old the new
I thought... Nothing could be right but I was so wrong
Cause that's when I fell in love with you
I thought ...The future was finished, the past was gone
But that's when I fell in love with you
That's when I fell in love with you (3X)

When She Was Mine

I saw her, moving through the fair
I could feel the wind, blowing through her hair
I could almost touch, the love light in her eyes
No she never looked that good when she was mine

I saw her, walking in the sun
She knew where she was going, her new future had begun
She was happy and it made her shine
No she never looked that good when she was mine

Bridge

What's gone is gone there's nothing much to say
I was the one who through it all away
The tears she cried, well I'd pay them no mind
There were, so many tears when she was mine
...so many tears when she was mine

She looked like she had found, someone who could touch her soul
Someone who'd keep her warm, someone she could hold
Someone who'd love her, for all time
No she never looked like that when she was mine

...She was in love and it made her shine
No she never looked that good when she was mine

When The Illusion Failed

I caught a glimpse of you, when the illusion failed
Your eyes looked so beaten, your face looked so pale
Like all the broken men, exiled and alone
Strangers in a strange land, that once was their home

First they lost their reasons, then they lost their faith
The devil is relentless, when the hour gets so late
I hate him for his victory, and his condescending grin
The camouflaged consistency, of temptation and sin

Chorus

Survival of the fittest, (no more room for), the lost and the weak
(a Darwin nightmare), just don't look down, at the corpses at your feet
Struggling to remember, (I tried to forget), the truth I used to know
(running out of time), just say a prayer for me, I've got to go

The decline of possibility, the dance of the damned
Good and evil, in this no-man's land
But if love is the drug, I'm getting high as a kite
Powerful and powerless, in your arms tonite

When The Last Day Is Done

Chorus

And all will be forgiven
And all will be one
And all will be revealed
When the last day is done

The angels will sing, and the distant will draw near
The last note will ring, the reasons made clear
And the lonely will know, they were never alone
The homeless will be home, the unknown will be known

Repeat Chorus

The deaf will hear, what the blind will see
The prisoner will be free, from his want, his greed and and his need
The grieving consoled, the wrong made right
The broken made whole, healed by the light

Repeat Chorus

...we'll all be together
Time and space undone
Now and forever
When the last day is done
...one with the son

Wide Open

I know it's over, it's time for me to go
You want what I don't have, what I want, I don't know
This wide open highway, my way out, my way back home
This radio, this rainbow, remind me I'm not alone

I might stumble but time is on my side
My mind's wide open, I'm ready for that long ride
Out of the blue, out of our great divide
This wide open sky, all I need my only guide

Chorus

Hands on the wheel, holding this wheel so tight
Wide open road, cutting through the night
It's way past midnight, a long way from the morning light
But I won't lose my way if I can keep that light in my sight

The road is long, I know I'm not there yet
But thanks for the good times, the rest I know I can forget
Yesterday is gone, no tears, no regrets
The future's wide open and I'm headin' for the centre of it

Repeat Chorus

Winter

The easy days are going, they're almost gone
Bridges getting burned and lines are getting drawn
It's in the air, it's everywhere
Yeah, a cold dawn is coming on

Listen to that wind
Something's coming, the spin begins / and so it begins
Keep your hands on the wheel, 'cause things are going to get real
Here we go again

Chorus

Yeah, your side, my side, the right side, the wrong side
I always thought the lesson got learned, the price would be too high and we wouldn't burn
The whole thing down again, I always thought we were smarter than then
But here we go again

Evil it hides
And it waits to ride
On the shifting tides
Of your side my side

A child's trusting eyes
Watching and waiting for a word from the wise
Among the half-truths wrapped in half-baked lies
There's nothing worse than watching a child's trust die

Repeat Chorus

... Yeah here we go again

Winter Peace

The trees shed their leaves, the sky it gets so grey
There's a chill in the air, winter is on its way
The days are getting short, the light is getting dim
The line between what's been, the here and now and what will be, is getting so thin

This coat is getting old but I don't feel the cold
So let that hard wind blow, with its whispers of wrong turns from years ago
Yeah, let that cold wind blow
I've made my peace with what my memory it won't let go

Pick up the pieces and stumble on
You're tracks in the snow will disappear but they'll never be gone
They'll live in the mystery of those long gone years
And the butterfly wings that brought us here

Repeat Chorus

...yeah, let that hard wind blow
I've made my peace with what my memory it can't let go

Winter Snow (On The Same Ground)

That wintertime snow, it keeps coming down, covers the ground, doesn't make a sound

It falls on the trees and all the fallen leaves that were born in the springtime of a summertime dream

It falls on the earth where so many we've known, are resting now, their finally home

It falls on the ground of a wintertime night where youth's young sun once shone its' golden light

Bridge

On the same ground that held the promise of spring

And the promise of youth and what the years would bring

On the same ground where once young flowers did grow

And pretty maidens put them in their hair and they danced so slow

And their beauty called to the young men who held their hand

And together they danced that forever dance in love's promised land

On the same ground where their children grew

Where memories were made while the years they flew

On the same ground where we'd forget but we always knew

That that wintertime snow was coming and we were all just passing through

Repeat 1st Verse

Winter Solitude

Snow coming down on this waiting for winter town
Silently falling on a cold autumn ground
Where once children played, in those springtime magic days
And rode those warm summer waves, the future was so far, away

The world it gets so real, with the turning of time's wheel
The here and the now, the day to day, further and further away
From a summer love so sweet and kind, an innocence from another
time
In the silence of this winter solitude, my mind finds a summertime memory, of you

Chorus

A fork in the road, footprints in the snow
So many winters have come and gone since that so long ago
The path not taken, fading in the rear view mirror
But those long time gone right and wrongs are closer than they might appear

I wonder where you are, in this world we used to think was ours
On the other side of goodbye, staring at the same stars in the same sky
I walk these silent, snow covered streets with a summer memory
I make a wish, I say a prayer and wonder do you ever think, of me

Repeat Chorus

Wisdom And Knowledge (Sorrow And Grief)

The sun it rises, the sun it sets
The wind blows south and then blows north
The rivers run to the sea, then return back to where they've been
The peace will be broken again and again by the swords of war

Madness in the streets, a fear in the heart
And what is learned it comes with a cost
The ears and eyes are never satisfied as the days pass by
The end draws near and what's been learned is lost

Chorus

All that is once was and will be here and gone again
From vanity of vanities in this world there's no relief
Over and over again, a meaningless chasing after the wind
With much knowledge and wisdom there'll come, so much sorrow and grief

The days of youth, the days of age
Wisdom and folly, love and lust
The circle of time, the circle of life, the joy, the grief, the darkness, the light
Ashes to ashes, dust to dust

Repeat Chorus

... Now all has been heard;
here is the conclusion of the matter:
Fear God and keep his commandments,
for this is the duty of all mankind.
For God will bring every deed into judgment,
including every hidden thing,
whether it is good or evil.

Source: Ecclesiastes

Wish You Were Here

The nightingale sings its nighttime song
The candles are lit and the lights come on
Another day done with all its' rights and its wrongs
The nightingale sings its nighttime song

The evening bells, they toll
For the lost and found, the young, the old
For the ones long gone, their memory, their souls
The evening bells, they toll

Chorus

The saints, the sinners, the searching and the saved
All hear the same bells at the end of the day
They sound through the streets like a prayerful evening song
They echo like the memory of the loved ones long gone

The stars in the sky shine on
Radio waves play that old Pink Floyd song
Wish you were here with us lost souls waiting for the dawn
The diamonds in the sky they shine on

Repeat Chorus

...radio waves play that old Pink Floyd song
...wish you were here

Without You

For too long, I've been wrong, Now I'm gone
Gone
Better alone, radio drone, coming home
Home
Drive all night, first light, alright
Alright

Chorus

Where are you now, Where did you go
What did you want, I still don't know
It's quiet now, Everything's been said
World on a string, Hanging by a thread

Flying blind, falling behind, out of time
Out of my mind
that was... Yesterday, Now it's OK, I'll find my way
Without you
Yeah It's OK, It's a brand new day, I'll find my way
Without you

Repeat Chorus

You Can Be Good Again

Yesterday's tomorrows, are all we have
Today is now and life is for the living
Guilt can lead to good, and my only prayer
Is God'll let me stay ahead of my sins till I'm forgiven

Chorus

Cause/But you can be good again, You can be good again,
You can be good again, You can be good again

Commitment to detachment, the hero of my own myth
Take whatever you want but in the end nothing is free
Out of time, in a hall of mirrors
In the end time'll take it all even the memories

Repeat Chorus

You walk right by, the man on the street
The poor, the hungry, the broken lives
Your feeling snug, in your smug conceit
Till you see your clutching little life through a broken man's eyes
You see your clutching little life through a desperate mother's eyes
You see your clutching little life through the suffering saviour's eyes

Repeat Chorus

You Can't Say I Never Tried

You can say I should have been smarter, should've been wiser, should've been brave

Should've known what I had before I left it behind

You can say I should've stayed on the road, stayed away from pipe dreams and fool's gold, I shouldn't have been running so blind

You can say I should've known what to do, what to say 'bout everything we went through, I should've been able to read what was in your eyes

You can say I should've been a better man, had a better plan, taken a better stand
But you can't say I never tried, no you can't say I never tried

Chorus

Between time the trickster and its trail of questioning whispers, and half-forgotten memories wrapped in a sigh

Between the lost and the misunderstood, the good intentions that came to no good, the half-forgotten reasons wrapped in why

Well, you can't say I never tried

You can say I should've held you tight on those long and cold and lonely nights
When the clouds covered all the stars in our sky

You can say I should've let go of what I always knew I could never hold
But you can't say I never tried, no you can't say I never tried

Repeat Chorus

...no you can't say I never tried

You Might Leave It But It'll Never Leave You

Chorus

You might leave it but it'll never leave you
What you should have said and what you didn't do
The days you threw away, the love you knew
You might leave it but it'll never leave you

A child's memory in an old man's mind
Out of place and out of time
Always up ahead and always close behind
A child's memory in an old man's mind

Repeat Chorus

A song of love, no longer heard
A heavy heart, an unspoken word
A broken smile, trying to hide the hurt
A song of love, no longer heard

Repeat Chorus

...all the dreams that tried to come true
You might leave them but they'll never leave you

Your Eyes Will Be My Guide

Uncertain words, uncertain times
No easy answers, when right and wrong are out of line
From the first moment shared to the waiting goodbye
If I lose my way, I just look for your eyes ...while

Chorus

The distant bells toll for all the saved lost souls ...and the
The ancient bells chime for all the times left behind ...and the
The broken bells ring for a broken world on a broken string ...and the
The evening bells sound for what was lost and what was found

The evening falls, on the daylight's end
I hold your hand, alone together again
The first moment shared, the last goodbye
When I leave this life, your eyes will be my guide ...while

Repeat Chorus

You're Still Here With Me

Changing times, I don't know where to begin
Changing times, outside looking in
Through the glass darkly, that's all I'll ever see
These times are changing, but you're still here with me

Shifting winds, the homeless are shelter bound
Shifting winds, makin' way losing ground
Silent shadows, nothing's what it seems
These times are changing, but you're still here with me

Chorus

The waves search for a shore, the pilgrim for a shrine
The warlord for his sword, the unforgiven for one more time
The lost search for the way, a reason to believe
These times are changing, but you're still here with me

Don't look back, that warnings carved in stone
Don't look back, you can never go back home
What will be will be, take no more than you need
These times are changing, but you're still here with me

Repeat Chorus