

Instinctively

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Song Collection

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for your patience and tolerance

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ANOTHER

The night is young, we can have some fun, if
you wanna babe;
Just you and me, and that's all it'll be, for
tonight;
We can pull in at some secluded place in
town.

Another night on the road,
you can stay with me till morning;
And I'll make love with you, if you like.
Another night on the road,
we really need a place to live;
And a place to find each other's feelings
too; And I need you.

The road's been long, but our drive's been
strong, in travelling through;
With worlds to view, we've drawn what's
true, for ourselves;
We listen to each other's dreams, to guide
our souls.

I stop the car and we go inside, and the
place is great;
Then we talk a while, then you smile, our
love is strong;
We draw on each other's love to see us
through.

GOD

We play a little game at the top of the hill,
And we know we'll never come on down,
We see the power that's instilled in us,
And we hate to see it go to waste.

As if I were a God
(And you/they believe in me).

We make our toys out of metal and brick,
And we hope it hold out the knives,
We inject our values into them,
And they pray at the foot of the hill.

Well I, I am so happy,
And they, they are so blind,
That they believe in me.

Well I sit here with my crown and jewels,
And the wants of a selfish man,
And they all slave on the plains below,
And they bring me the daily yields.

FREE

Well I saw you just the other day,
And I was thinking, how I was missing
 having you here;
You act that same special way,
And I was hoping that you might wanna
 stay.

But what can I say? When I'm feeling so low?
What can I do? Now I've done this to you?
What will I be? Now that we're free?

Well I feel that you'll make it all right,
But I know, that you won't make it alone;
And the pain, builds up here inside,
Oh no, I don't mind, if you stay right here.

SORRY

A little piece of my soul, walked out my door
last night,
She read a little note, that was written in
my diary,
I tried to patch it up, I tried to make amends.

But she wouldn't really listen,
And she wouldn't see my way,
She just said:

You can't say you're sorry,
And expect it to be all right;
You can't say you're sorry,
And expect me to forget last night.

Well I'm feeling pretty down, I don't know
just what to do,
Why won't she let it go, for I didn't mean to
write it,
I lost everything I had, And it only makes
me mad.

LAMPPOST

Well I leant on a lamppost,
and asked him how he's going,
He said: "I'm doing fine".

Well quite confused,
I asked him how it's so,
He said: "Cause you're dead and I'm alive".

Well I thought for a while,
and I saw just what he meant,
You see I'm living in a dead-end street.

So I thanked the lamp,
and headed off down the road,
And I turned up the avenue.

Cause I'm telling you,
That I've got things to do;
And I don't wanna be,
where no lamp shines over me.

I asked my pen,
 what should I write,
She said: "Just follow me".

So I gave her the power,
 to write me out the truth,
And that's just what I found.

Well I'm gonna sit here,
 till I've written off all the blues,
Cause that's where the problem lies.

UNI-STUDENT

Take a layman off the street,
and he'll tell you what I'm like;
I'm a freak and a loser,
and a policeman's delight.

I'm into parties, and booze,
and rock'n'roll all night;
I'm a University student,
what a painful sight.

They'll tell you that I'm weak,
and have no common sense;
And the words that I use,
just proves how much I'm dense.

So come on & tell me, I'm just another looney,
So come on and tell me, I'm full of ho-balony.

They say I'm extravagant,
and I live like a millionaire;
And my parents send me riches,
and I bludge and couldn't care.

AIRPORT

Sitting in the lounge of an international
airport, say goodbye,
Waiting for the call, then you walk out the
door, and on your way.

With no time, no time left to tell you.

Walk out the door to a cold winter's evening
and frozen tears,
Overhead you leave, taking all that's left of
love across the globe.

I take a taxi out to an empty apartment,
Already I'm so lonesome,
but I think that you know this,
Feelings overcome me & I sit down & I cry.

Taking all my sanity, just another lover's crime,
For Christ sake can't you see me,
I'm so wretched all the time,
I love you oh so very much,
why do you say goodbye?

KNOWS

What do we know, what's to believe,
Now that it's over, leaving alone.

God only knows how much I cared.
God only knows where you are.
God only knows.

You were so strong, so much alive,
Facing the doubts, chasing your dreams.

I remember your smile,
and the thoughts that we shared,
I remember me feeling,
so lost and so scared...

DON'T

I don't wanna know,
 if your fad is all the go;
I don't wanna know,
 if your nails did not grow;
I don't wanna know,
 if your cup will overflow.

I don't wanna know.

I don't really care,
 for your politics and hair;
I don't really care,
 for the fashions that you wear;
I don't really care,
 if you want to stop and stare.

I don't really care.

I don't ever dream,
 of a fancy sweet ice cream;
I don't ever dream,
 of a favourite footy team;
I don't ever dream,
 of the hydro-electric scheme.

I don't ever dream.

VISION

Night on the booze, Out we cruise,
You aint got nothin new;
Out for a walk, Then we talk,
There're no answers here;
I'm so lost, What's the cost,
To sign up all over again?

Give me the vision to be strong.

Sin city lights, Loosing fights,
You're so ugly now;
Taste the air, As if they care,
We're all hypocrites;
Chasing ghosts, In duffel coats,
Show death a little mercy.

Philosopher's dream, Dying with a scream,
Rip my view away;
Reaching out, Zen balance in doubt,
A divine corruptive scheme;
Hell with it all, I've nowhere to fall,
I'm as sick as I'll ever be.

PLEASE

Another loss, a new place to land;
Broken heart, and nowhere to stand;
Another friend, has slipped through my
hand... and gone.

It took so long, for trust to build;
We played that game, you're so strong willed;
I took you in, but now it's killed... by time.

Please don't leave, I love you so,
I really care, you surely know,
I start to grieve, it hurts me so,
Please, don't you leave.

We often talked, contact was made;
We shared our thoughts, our dreams we'd trade;
Those moments when, we were not
afraid...to care.

We got so close, though time was short;
I'd impact on you, through what I'd thought;
You'd impact on me, but now I'm fraught...
with loss.

ALBERT

He sat down at his desk,
to test his cosmic quest;
Pipe lit in his mouth,
so stout, gazing out;
A moment to reflect,
project, to introspect;
Mind of the first degree,
to be, floating free.

He captured all the thoughts,
they'd brought, some error fraught;
He distilled out all of the clues,
the glues, eternal truths;
He cut back to the bone,
disowned, their holy throne;
Wrote out his decree,
the key, to relativity.

Talking here about relativity.

He redefined the time,
the time, new paradigm;
He clarified the length,
the length, gave it strength;
He set down postulates,
don't forget, with no regrets;
He made no apology,
no debris, just relativity.

They spent the next 30 years,
his peers, our cosmic seers;
Seeking faults in things he said,
every thread, checked and read;
No one yet has proved him wrong,
so strong, like a song;
It's strange this reality, once we,
take on relativity.

Talking here about relativity.

TREES

There are trees on the mountains,
There is noise down below;
We make good paper planes,
Like this doesn't grow.

The rainforest is evergreen,
Yet the road's an attack
This report's in triplicate,
Like this doesn't stack.

Have we something to say?
Have we something to do?
Has it all been left now,
to me and you?

There are birds in the banksias,
And there's fish in the stream;
There are humans in logging trucks,
With a conquest regime.

We feel that we care enough,
With our news print in hand *;
Plantation forests grow quicker than,
The jungles we've canned.

(...news print... – however, more so pasture
lands for cattle – video: Cowspiracy.)

FALLING

You get under my skin,
Deep down in my soul;
You draw me out of my shell,
You leave me short of whole.

I feel like I'm falling / suffering.
You leave me just drowning.

Your presence leaves me spellbound,
Your absence leaves me cold;
Your beauty has me captured,
Your actions are so bold.

For a moment I catch your eyes,
There's so much I need to say;
But the words are lost in my fear,
You turn and you walk away.

ODE

Of course I would have to say,
On such a bright and sunny day,
I'll come out and we will play,
I'll make time and I will stay,
Time for you.

Without a doubt you're a part of me,
We're the fruits of the same old tree,
A sprightly spruce it had to be,
You're so full of life I can see,
You need me, I need you.

I'm never ceased to be amazed at you,
The many things that you can do,
The glory won, the battles fought,
The moments when we all sought,
Life's kind heart.

What's the sound of a child's bloom?
What's the thought that pervades this room?
What can we give, what should we take?
What's the point I'm trying to make?
I Love You! I Love You!

LOVE

I want to know, everything,
 there is, to know about you,
I want to go, everywhere,
 you go, and do what you do,
And I want you, And I want you.

I need to be, someone who,
 you'll always, want to love too,
I need to find, the strength inside,
 to always, do right by you,
And I need you, And I need you.

I love to see, your loving smile,
 and the warmth, you share so true,
I love the times, we spend together,
 all the time that I'm with you,
And I love you, And I love you.

TOGETHER

Taking all the time we need,
Feeling comfortable and pleased,
We have our dreams and goals,
And the strength here in our souls.

We're spending time,
 finding time, for each other;
 spending time, oh- together.

Doing the things we want to do,
Feeling wonderful and true,
We find the time to be,
So adventurous and free.

CONSIDER

Just what are you trying to say?
Am I missing just what you mean?
Is this thing just a little more?
Are you really just sweet on me?

I'm wanting you, Please consider me.
I care for you, Would you think of me?
I believe in you, Would you trust in me?
I'm falling for you, Please fall for me?

Am I sure what's best to do?
Is it too soon to say I care?
Is it fear and anxiety?
Of the words that you might say?

DEVOTEE

I would like for you, to dance with me,
I hope that you want, to spin with me,
I think that it's time, to glide and to be,
Together all tonight, let's dance and
we'll see.

If we're right for one another,
to dance and laugh and be;
To take time, to keep time,
and to feel that energy.

Hi to you, Hey it's me, Your devotee.

I would like to be,
someone special for you,
Someone who you'd see,
as fun, warm and true,
Someone that you'd want,
to spend the evening through,
To dance and be close,
maybe share a waltz or two.

And if we're right for one another,
then I'd like to be with you;
To share the beat & the mood,
make special this rendezvous.

Hi to you, Hey it's me, Your devotee.

WHATEVER

You seem to be so clear,
 with what you do;
You strive with clarity,
 you see things through;
You care for what you do,
 is it love?

I don't know just what to say,
I don't know just what to think;
I guess you know if it's right,
Just do what you think is good;
 Whatever you think.

Sometimes it's not so clear,
 so intertwined;
Pull out all of the chords,
 and analyse;
Time to think things through,
 and choose with love.

On occasion you ask for help,
 and you hear what's said;
Then seek to review your path,
 with an open mind;
Fashion out what's fair and true,
 as if with love.

Whatever you think...
 Whatever you think...

STAY

Sitting here - thinking about the words.
Sitting here - thinking about the tune.
Sitting here - thinking what to play.

I don't know just what to sing,
I don't know just what to play;
I know I just wanna be -
I know I just wanna stay - with you.

Can you - help me with the words?
Can you - help me with the tune?
Can you - help me sing this song?

CORAL

I do know what I can do about you,
I do care and it's not fair for you.
We get cool while you just lose your shine,
We turn on and you die down the line.

Don't we care? Don't we care?
Don't we care?

We've been told our habits are pretty sad,
Someday soon we'll miss what we had.
When our kids look back, what will they say?
Because of us our reef saw decay.

Climate Change is as real as you and I,
Cutting our excess is something we could try.
Turn things off and things might start to slow,
And then in time the colour may regrow.

RIGHT?

Looking at how things are today,
Wondering if we'll be right tomorrow;
Are we right now to pay the price?
Is it worth their sacrifice?

Looking out for some divinity,
Looking round for an identity;
Are we sure we've got it right?
With no concern for another's plight...

Listening close to all the thoughts and views,
Wondering when we will have to pay the
dues;
Are we clear on the implications?
Are we failing in our dedication?

CHANCE

He walked in, not looking to see,
She felt lost, no epiphany,
He'd known pain, with a depth to share,
She'd lost love, now didn't dare.

Chance is on their side,
Love may take this ride.

He saw her, and seemed intrigued,
Lost in self, she felt fatigued,
He saw need, not looks and class,
Walked on over, to take a chance.

Care comes from the heart,
Reaching out is the uncertain part.

He sat down, un-assumedly,
I'm good to listen, he said tentatively,
If I'm not welcome, I'll leave you be,
But a stranger sometimes, can help you
see...

Softness was in his eyes,
There was something real about this
guy.

She took a chance, and opened a door,
Slightly at first, then more and more,
Poured out confusion, some pain, some guilt,
Lifelong experience, some due, some built.

Their gifts were what they gave,
A connection was what they made.

He'd walked in, not looking to be,
She'd felt lost, not expecting to see,
Giving of themselves, each to the other,
Giving to themselves, the reflection of...
(each other).

Chance is on our side,
Love may take this ride.

TRUTH

In looking for the truth,
a bit at a time;
Xenophanes,
takes his leave;

To argue either side,
convinced of both;
Socrates,
his legacy.

Balance in our view,
fence not coming through;
Yin and Yang,
some balance and...

No clarity in truth,
riddles of Lao Tzu;
Tao Te Ching,
looking in.

INSTINCTIVELY

Autumn's coming through,
leaves are falling too;
Clouds across the sky,
people wander by;
I feel you in the air,
just knowing that you're there...

Sits square with me,
It comforts (*centres*) me,
Instinctively.

Memories come in real,
knowing how I feel;
Soft as a minor chord,
bringing true reward;
I see you everywhere,
just knowing that you're there...

Knowing that you'll be there,
 even when I'm feeling down;
Lifting up my spirits,
 on ever shifting ground;
Giving me the reason,
 for wanting to be found;

I'm thanking you...

Without a conscious thought,
 I believe in what you've brought;
I thank you for your time,
 your rhythm and your rhyme;
I hear you everywhere,
 just knowing that you're there...

YOU

These shades of grey begin to come undone,
The brickwork now seems vague to
everyone,
And the mountains draped in wealth are not
so strong,
This haze of mind is all but nearly gone.

For now I see you.

The camouflage was once, but now is clear,
The clouds move on, revealing so many
fears,
And coming out of darkness is a new
frontier,
One in which I'll see the truth appear.

Cause now I see you.

The crimes once done leave me in dismay,
The torments of the past lead me to pray,
No fires of hell can scorch these sins away,
In the name of God, what's left for me to
say?

Except now I see you.

NOTHING

Is there nothing left to say?
Is there nothing left to buy?
Is there nothing left to save us now?

Did we take it all too far?
Did we take without return?
Did we blindly eat our way through this?

So, take it in, one last look,
one last time;
Now, take a breath, face the loss,
shed a tear;
And then, hug me tight, close your eyes,
I wish you well; I wish you well.

Do we recall those moments when?
Can we return to sometime then?
Or find a place to start again from here?

Do we now get what's deserved?
Did we fail to be concerned?
Did we fail to really find our true love?

Now, thinking that, we've made our bed
it's time to lie;
So, filled with fear, so much regret,
so much remorse;
Yes, we brought it on, we failed to think,
and there's no return;
it's just time to die.

UNWRAP

Unwrap another morning,
 There's so much more to play;
The gift is in the giving,
 And you know you want to stay;
Be open to the vision,
 And to hear things as they are;
There's truth in your decision,
 Just aim to take it far.

So open up that door,
 And let the world come in;
Then let go a little more,
 Find the drive that's bound within;
Relent, confront, explore,
 Let our lives begin again;
 ...begin again.

Accept in this, this gift,
 As it accepts from you;
Offer life and love and lift,
 Offer up only what is true,
Soak up so this morning,
 Bathe in what is new;
Maybe it's adorning,
 But it's welcome as our cue.

TREE

The tree is up and walking,
it's got some place to go;
The possum's kinda squeamish,
it's not used to things being so;
The koala's slept right through,
quite a late night the night before;
The birds think it's silly,
though it's hard to just ignore.

So open up those doors,
And let the tree come in;
Open up the windows,
let us see it dance within;
Swaying to our music,
Let's sing that song again;
...sing again. (*intrude / invade
again*).

So the possum's eating pudding,
 freshly cooked by Sarah's mum;
The wombat's throwing tantrums,
 cause the rabbits wouldn't come;
A joey's hopping round,
 though bumping into walls;
The tree is quite indifferent,
 just struggling down the halls.

They've had tea with all the dolls,
 they've danced with teddy bear;
There's something they're not saying,
 and we think it isn't fair;
We wonder what the tree really wants,
 dancing in like this;
Upsetting all the furniture,
 and disturbing all the bliss.

NO

I don't know just where we are going,
There's no path that's clear to see;
We abdicate responsibility,
And offer no apology.

No Referee, no synergy, no victory.

We all crave individuality,
But there seems very few who'll be;
For care, concern and consideration,
Stand up as a devotee.

No trustee, no guarantee, just
catastrophe.
No Referee, no synergy, no victory.

BE

You've got a little clarity,
 and a space where you wanna be,
Now it's time to get up and go,
 get up and go.
You faced your inner demon,
 now it's time you were leaving,
Take a voyage that'll see you grow,
 see you grow.

Find a little sunshine,
 take a little mind-time,
Look beyond what's plain to see.

Seek solid destinations,
 speak to fellow travellers,
Look to who you wanna be,
 Who you wanna be.

It's been growing there inside,
 now it's time to decide,
Whether to close out just why you came,
 why you came.
There's nothing like discovery,
 just accept the jubilee,
In finding what sets you aflame,
 sets you aflame.

There's treasures in the finding,
 the truth's out there hiding,
Be okay to question and disagree.

Seek solid destinations,
 speak to fellow travellers,
Look to who you wanna be,
 Who you wanna be.

SEEKING

Have you got something to say?
Do we continue in this disarray?
Nowhere to go, Nothing to do,
 Isn't this true, We're looking to you...

Cause I don't have all the answers,
 I'm coming up short;
I have nothing here to teach you,
 this cannot be taught;
And there's sure as hell no winning,
 we haven't yet fought;
There's nothing here that's shining,
 it's just a big fat nought.

What's there at the end of the pier?
Is it something we need to fear?
Nowhere to go, out on a limb,
 Looking real grim, sink it or swim...

Cause life don't ensure salvation,
 we have to partake;
Let's not just accept what's given,
 it's not all heart-ache;
We need to find sincerity,
 we must stay awake;
There are moments of opportunity,
 moments we need to take.

Will we promote integrity?
Promote our love and common community?
Somewhere to go, somewhere to stand,
 Giving a hand, finding what's grand...

Cause together we can forge prosperity,
 all in one voice;
Avert this swell of darkness,
 light up this place;
Seek out a sense of salvation,
 look to rejoice;
Demand an alternate ending,
 give us the choice,
 give us a choice...

HERE

I thank you for being here,
 for being here this way;
I needed an honest ear,
 and you were willing to stay;
And now that I've opened up,
 the tears they are flow'n';
Emotion pours out of me,
 you would never have known.

I accept from you your time,
 this time you invest in me;
You understand my pain;
 you help me set it free.

Tears make way for words,
 my thoughts though aren't so clear;
They find some passage through,
 and release my hidden fears;
You allow me to open up,
 and speak what's on my mind;
Let me seek some clarity,
 and accept what I might find.

I am honoured by your love,
 your love and integrity;
To take such time to care,
 and to offer this to me.

My beliefs are now quite open,
 you challenge them to see;
Whether i might re-assess,
 and cut some demons free;
Give me pause to consider,
 what options i might try;
Steps present before me,
 and i begin to clarify.

I thank you for your time,
 for this gift you have given
me;
You understood my pain,
 and you've helped me set it free.

