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North of the Red Sea

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By Being

In the woods, I dwell
To the harps, I weep
For eternal verity
Will joy will repeat
Beyond my consciousness?

You rinse and retreat
Begin to seek the truth, **but concede**
You're young, unformed
The old and free
Can see the earth beneath the green

I feel sage in stone
The stone that I hold with me
Graced by being between
Lonely and "love me"
Lonely and "love me"
Free

As far as my eyes perceive
The young too see the earth underneath
Do you disagree?
The hills / are still unformed / or so it seems

Though I dare to read
Beyond what these eyes may meet
Woodlands, hold me
And bathe me in the green

I feel sage in stone
The stone that I hold with me
Graced by being seen
"love me, lovely"
"Love me, my lovely"
Free

[+bridge]
Oh my only guide
Oh my lonely cry

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From my open eyes

I feel sage in stone

The stone that I hold with me

Graced by being in need

Free, above me

Free, above me

Free

Closer to the Sun

Sometimes I think about
All that I wanna do
Without doing them
Without just doing it
Doing it

Sometimes I write about
All the things I wanna do
Without doing them
Without just doing it

Who are all these pettifogging fools
That you have to oblige?
No one
Should roose them,
Excuse them,

Nor do anything that they want you to
That they don't even do
That you don't want to do
That you think you should do

So let's plant that garden that we're meaning to
We'll be watering all day
Because the sun will shine on us
Like we're that much **closer to the sun**
That much further from everyone

Oh but I don't want to be anywhere
But the room here with you
I don't feel like wooing you but I do

I I I love you , I love you
Who am I kidding ?
Neither you nor the sun

I Can Never Figure Out What This Will Mean

Cold is the letter you went and sent
The place we'd gone and went
Am I the breakaway or the bend
Think you'll decide in the time we spend

Looking for fixtures in outer space
Finding which image will fit on the page
I'm reading the book your mother gave me
And it seems **I can never figure out what this will mean**

Warm is the way you look at me
The whisper from the moon to the sea
Am I the one? Can I fully receive?

This could be an intercontinental bliss
Or a diplomat pleading the fifth
Do I dare k(no)w?

I've been pondering / wandering x4

I've seen fixtures in outer space
Captured an image that fits on the page
I'm still reading the book your mother gave me
But it seems **I've finally figured out what this means**

Standing on the Corner

Standing on the corner
Escaping the rain
If she were stood here
Maybe she'd think of something better to say
All that time there in our sadness
No matter what she said
Her words were laced in novocaine

I might have looked too far into your pain

And on my chest read "open range"

Not to leave too soon to find out

What you meant

Weren't you ashamed

I am going away, far away
She's said enough
So bold and enraged
"What!?"
Oh did you mean it too?
Didn't you open up the door and go right through?

[break / mood shift]

I might have looked too far the other way

And on my chest read "fire away"

Not to leave too soon to find out

What this meant

But I best go in haste

Modern Noir

Way up there beneath that settlement
There's a book that I could read
Tells a tale, of far upriver

I live above a city square
Where all the people care to dare
To see a future alive in form
In a time with no more scorn
Where you see people, they see you
Your friends will love em, you'll love em too
You'll go to places that you've never been to
You'll see money for all its strings
Just a creation of flawed things
And a love transformed
And a love reborn

If I could call you mine in a way affirming no possession
And we'd have no reason not to be honest
And all solutions would unfurl
Like the river dispersing at the shore
Then all our love of material things
Would feel like just a dream
But does a ring resemble anything to you?

I don't think I should try
I don't think I should have to try
To write it down
These feelings for you
Wish I could show you
How you've nobly bloomed
In your changing
I'll never forget you
I'll try to see all the things that make you

And I see what you're soon to be
And to be seen is all you really need
When you know in the air
To know what's really going on
When I sort it out

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I see that's it's always been you

And you know, know, know
That "no" will never really be
Spoken from me to you

It's just yes all the way x2
A sentiment explored by a seeker in a folk tale
Yes all the way x3
A modern noir
I see a yes on the way
There's some yes in the way
Of this yes on the way
And I find that
My feelings are so unswayed

Well Water

You see, that I can see
Though I may not be able to tell
I'm fine if I wanna be
Still good when I'm down

Alright if I'm being honest
Been in a dry spell
Send down the bucket
Guess I'll tell them I'm well

**Can't know where the water is
Can't know where well water is
Till you get down**

Rain's gonna come now
Will deepen in time
You don't need permission
To up and change your mind

Get yourself a cup now
Can't you see that I am
Not praying for rain
Not praying for shine

**Can't know where the water is
Can't know where well water is
Till you get down**

Then You'll Know

What in the world is here you see through your creation?
Innit a blind appearance? You can't find mutation
So you're asking me to speak to questions of reality
All I can *describe* is my hesitation

And a devotion to unfeigned humility
As for our intent and abilities
While I *describe* it sober/(it's over) now, marry me
Ao she received the word from her
Creator and a survivor

Coloring in and out of the lines
All to pass the time

Only you'll know
When the world
Is spinning of it's axis
Only you'll know
When the world
Is spinning of it's axis
Only you'll know
Only you'll know

What in the world is here you see through your creation?
Even with your wide experience you gave up on mutations
You're still asking me to speak to questions and epiphanes
Now I can describe my situation

Will I ever fully explore my imagination?
Or destroy the guise of your civilization?

When the world
When the world is spinning
When the world is spinning off its axis
Then you'll know

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So you say, I've turned away
How far is it till now, today?
I will walk away
I will ride against the day
But she said...

“Near me, where I stand
You'll be near me, where I stand”

There is such pity
In all of this peace
I was in tears
I was not near

For centuries
They've been dumping
Their grease on me
I didn't like to be
So taken advantage of, my love

North of the Red Sea

You will find me

Due north of the Red Sea

You'll find me

Tented under willow trees
They ground me
Please don't come around
For once in a while
Days were like years
Months were to fear
For awhile

Days were like years
Flowers so crystal clear
One day, next you'll see
That it changes colors
Oh "notice me", it says

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I can't forget
Where you'll be
But I'll be north of the Red Sea
If you want to send for me

My Fair Lass

Summer's gone and I must say
There was once I knew
So then off I flew
For to seek the tune

Then they said she fell in deep
My fair lass
To golden songs of majesty
Her eyes so wide x5

Sometimes if she didn't show
Had I told you
In your eyes I see coal
You'd find a fortune down the road

But I pay no mind
What she means to say
What she means to say
Just Let it out

Memorize your name
All their eyes on her

At the turning of the day
With her eyes on me
In an idealized spring
When you said my name

Feel the air then blow my way
The smoke that you've made
It's flicker is bound to fade
My fair lass

Grace

Escape with me
To a place brand new
That we've never seen
With our own eyes

We'll give a little extra
To the ones who can't afford
To take a second
To answer the door

To the unknown
Take what you need
Give what you've got
Don't you love to receive

Love till the end?
Give and you'll be given
Read my emotion
Go with me there

To The place
That gets you
Out of what you know
Give to me and I'll give to you always

We are wise
We are strong
In ourselves
Like the sun to the moon
In our love of the world

Hold onto me
May we know, forever

I do understand
That you experience the world
In a different way
Than the rest of our souls

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I just want to be
Someone you can know
That I will try to understand

Will you go with me
To a place brand new?
With hope in ours eyes
For some kind of truth

And may we know a kind of truth unconfused
By presence every moment we can
Let's be present every moment we can