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# Africa My Africa

I peered at the dusk of the day  
With malicious mockery of our generation  
As it sets behind the mountain of civilization  
Being an half-breed of life  
With the whites' ways washing away our ways  
Turning where the sun rises to where it sets

I bent my leg's hinges to behold clearly The beauty of the sun  
I laid on the sand to behold  
The glory of the moon  
Above they glitter with the glammers of heaven  
From the beginning of the generations  
Forever remaining unchanged

Now slavery runs deep in our veins  
In the name of civilization  
Turning the rise of the day to the setting of the day

This is where the sun rises  
And not where it sets  
This is where the tides roll to your ocean  
This where the breeze blows to your land  
We are the original of Gods' work  
We are the ones that fight man to man  
Not hiding our faces behind weapons  
We are the mandinka warriors  
We are Africans

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# All For You

Clouds for you, I'll ask to cry  
Darkness for you, I'll command to fly  
Mountains on their knees, down  
For the sun, I'll rent a gown  
With the sky, I'll adorn your path  
The stars for you to grace your hat  
The moon for you with my hand, I'll grab  
As I wait for you with the cool breeze come in a cab  
For you the sands of water, I'll bring from deep  
ocean  
And fire flies to you they'll give my love-confession  
With the whistling air will I ask the beetles to play  
And the green lush vegetation will I ask mother  
nature to lay  
All within my power will I bring for you  
My love; all for you

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# Don'T Waste Time

Fribble not time away, I plead  
Plant each moment like a seed  
That should be the way you play  
I plead, fribble not time away...

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# Dreamers World

As my eyes dim deep in death's counterfeit  
My head nod to and fro to an unheard rhythm  
As the feet of my heart sink low in the memory of the future  
And my soul and body working solitarily in my being  
My troubled plant of life finds solace in the plantation of rest  
With my spirit feeling the fragrances and breeze of a new paradise  
I begin to meander in an unknown wide world  
Then I begin to sense the nothingness in the grandeur of this world  
And the glamour of this world began to vanish from my grasp  
I heard the loud voice of the African cock calling me back  
From my intangible world of imaginary things  
For I heard the uncommon language of our cock  
Saying KUKURUKUKU

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# Facade Of Our World

So drunken is our ancient wall that it lays ruins  
Their fire powder crumbles our solace of pride  
With their intelligence they turn us to disciple  
The glasses we used to picture our world  
Have they painted the colour of their world  
Making our real world lie in imagination

From generation to generation  
Our valours of the past keeps diminishing  
With the strength of our fathers  
Like Goliath we crumble before them  
And here we are only a free-slave  
Burdened with the responsibility they brought  
We meet our needs not by tilling the land  
But with the hanging noose on our neck  
We've been robbed of who we are  
And offered the way of who they are  
Or the noose is pulled to tighten the knot  
Like a tart, we became promiscuous in culture  
Giving up our heritage for the white's way

From generation to generation  
Our heritage tarnishes day in day out  
And like a madman  
Who think of himself sane  
We see it as the real way of life  
We dropped yam festival for yuletide  
Olojo festival for haloween  
From generation to generation  
What we have became important  
Than who we are  
A generation of the ages  
Now a generation of today

One day our eyes will open  
To see the beauty we've lost  
From death will we wake  
To testify on the ancient angel's ways  
For so as they were, they still are

We'll realize that nature's beauty  
Is not the snow that falls  
But in the radiant colour of the sun  
Our real world lies in the splendour of the sun  
And our real self is who we were then

Africa O my Africa  
Our ways should be our ways  
Not their ways our ways

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# Home Coming

Day's are swift like an arrow  
Hours speeds away like a speedboat  
Minutes racing like a ferrari  
Seconds fleeing like a shot bullet  
The day now waits nomore

A wasted yesterday,  
Today a dudgeon

When each seconds don't count  
Hours becomes a duff  
Moments are treasureD  
Only by a man with a wise wit

Yesterday here I am  
Today away will I be  
For a quest find I for myself  
To set sails into the land unknown  
And bring home the chest of treasure

On the wide sea for days and nights  
Sweet memories drifting away  
Precious moment away swift on its wheel  
The past a pinch of dust in the wild wind  
My days are now dark  
My night now one of cloudfull climes

Alone in a world unknown  
With family I long to be

Now tomorrow is now today  
And the future is now here  
The nights now a story  
Days spent in darkness has ended  
The dawn of a new era is here  
For in my quest  
I unlocked the chest of success

I beg you birds of the sky

To bring new news to my home  
That I am coming home  
Not as a mere man  
But with the majestic entrance of a king  
For I come back decorated with valor

The new moments will soon be here  
And a new memory will soon be born

Home here I come

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# Hope

When the time seems so long  
That it look like the pains will last forever  
That the strong tide lift the cable strain  
When it seems all hope is lost into darkness  
That the cloud unfold to blind the sky  
When it seems the future is dead  
That cool breeze cease to blow  
When it seems this is hell itself  
That the sun smothers the softness of the skin  
When the bellows roll  
The thunder strikes  
And the tempest rave violently  
When it seems that nature is against life  
Peep from the darkness with a gleam of hope  
That beyond the darkness lies the sunshine  
That all is just a low long rumble That'll sooner dwindle into a sigh  
For nothing last till eternity  
And not forever will your pain last  
For a moment is its longevity  
Though darkness may tarry for the night  
Certainly light'll come in the morning

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# Human Being

As the current of life  
Carries me away from the shores of treasure  
I stretch my hand to hold onto a stump of love  
I caught your firm love in the waves  
Holding me with all vigour and loving  
As the tides tried to sweep me away  
You pulled me up against the tides  
But with time the stronghold turns weary  
Off I went with the tides as you let go  
Sinking under the growling sounds of the ocean  
Then I found out men's love is factitious  
That it doesn't stand the test of time  
Hope I am not too late to realize this  
As I will hang under the ocean till help comes  
Human's love doesn't last

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# If I Die

If i die  
I will be happy to leave this world  
So take me away from here Lord  
Let them paste my obituary on the board  
It should be fun leaving this world  
If i die  
I will be happy to leave this world

If i die now  
I return to the dust  
'Cos i come from the dust  
Let them not bury me because of the cost  
Or else they will be disturbed by my ghost  
Let me be laid on the road to burst  
If i die  
I return to the dust

If i die now  
I should be buried like a cow  
'Cos i haven't used my bow  
To cut those i am to mow  
Those that causes among men row  
If i die now  
I should be buried like a cow

Let me live  
To die for my people  
Then can i recieve the heavenly apple  
And be given a befitting funeral  
Then shall i be laid to my grave like a general  
Gone peacefully and happily  
'Cos i've done my own quota  
I live to die for my people

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# Ifemi, Pride Of My Youth

Ifemi,

Your face, nature's hand painted

That which wondrous God affords

At your sight, dawn blushes

Your majestic entrance

betrays the potency of darkness

Eyeballs that burn scary

Burst out in passion desire

Longing to see under the dress

Razor blade kiss turns blunt

At the touch of your sensual lips

Bringing down all ecstasies

With each step, earth implode

Castle shrinks as you approach

Skyscrapers a step to where I am

To me you are coming

As beautiful and mighty-full

Mine you are, to forever keep

Here she comes

To cast the veil of her soul away

And lay bare all for me to behold

Ifemi, my teenage love

That lingered 'till today

One of blossoming blooms of beauty

A passionate glance my eyes stole

Your real beauty will I see unbridled

Any other who sees, be blind'd

My breathe your skin will it caressed

The fragrance of your feel will I percieve

Any other who smells, be poison'd

Ifemi, mine you are

With you will our brig sail the mighty ocean

To the limpid future, we'll steer our course

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# Ile-Ife

First of the land  
Above the ocean  
gods lift they high  
Just below God  
Behold ye the glory  
That shines from the land  
Which is today unseen  
To the nefarious eyes  
The lush green terrains  
With luscious landscape  
Not with trooping troppo  
In an under-rock place

Peace finds its abode  
On this seraphic land

My land of seraphic life  
Ife ooye

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# It Is A New Year

Harmathan bears the moribund year away  
The dangling stars announces the proximity of a new year  
Being ushered in by the merriness of christmas  
As the shrill songs of the whistling santa  
Pervade the air in preparation for the newfangled year  
Foes feel the pains of my survival  
Happy am I  
I made it through the year  
The pains, the gains  
The profit, the defeat  
The squeaky gates, the rickety trains  
All behind me  
With a joyous heart and a waving hand  
For a new chance, a clean slate  
All these and more, Goodbye

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# Lamentation

My soul sounds like an empty tank  
Beaten by an iron rod  
My heart cries to the evil in array in our land

The soul of the dead burnt by fires of bombshell  
Screams, laments and cries aloud  
The silent cries of the dead  
Will one day in our country drive sleep away from the land  
The conscience that lies silenced  
Will one day be loud to the ears of the deaf  
The roaming spirits of the dead  
Will one day fill the habitation of our leaders  
As they turn a blind eye to the genocide  
Plying its trade in the northern states  
&quot;I will come for retribution one day&quot; says their spilled blood  
On those that did nothing when they could have  
Retribution says here I come with my own gift

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# Latter Days Of Man

Hairs fading away  
Skin wrinkling with old age  
Eyes becoming very deem  
Oh, is the time around the corner  
When one becomes aware of heavenly activities  
When one shuttle between heaven and earth  
Oh, the time is at hand

How was my early days?  
Filled with love  
Jumpin with life  
Radiant like flowers  
That was the days of early age  
But now is the time to recollect those days  
For me to make account to him who made me

Closed is the eyes  
Bright is the darkness  
For in darkness  
I see my past clearly  
Dead is the body  
But sound is the mind  
For in heaven we shall give account  
But now the fire has gone out  
And the last flicker gone eternally

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# Life

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A glimpse at the face of life  
To the heart, aching to look  
Life with different faces  
Phases of bitter faces  
That our eyes away we turn  
To face not the truth of life  
Though to the tongue of the men inexplicable  
Deep in the intelligence of the heart  
Lies the truth for the deeper thinking man  
That everything is all and nothing  
Pinch of dust in the whirlwind  
Held on to just to lose in the end

No greatness in the entry to life  
And the unavoidable exit from life

So listen to the sounds of the birds  
Hear the tunes from the lips of men  
Laugh to the weary heart  
Beaming with the smiles of all smiles  
Hold him close as though all will end now  
'Cos life is a flower that blossom  
Jus to wither away  
Nothing last forever  
Except the impression of you  
On the sands of time  
Live your life as if it could be the last  
I tell you

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# Life Is Death

Life is death, death is life  
To live is to die and to die is to live  
Man born of woman has a short time to live  
As we flee to live, towards death we run  
We come of age with the beauty of life  
Just to be mown down like a matured tree  
Life is death, death is life  
To live is to die and to die is to live  
Though we fill our days up with activities  
We have an important date to keep  
One that we cannot forget to attend  
Nor decide to neglect, a date which is  
A date with death...  
Life is death, death is life  
To live is to die and to die is to live  
Our life is bitty  
Our experience: a shattered mirror  
A musician - music, a writer - writing,  
Life has different versions of living it to the fullest  
So what is life? - Meaningless to me  
Life is death, death is life  
To live is to die and to die is to live  
'Cos we live more or less in today  
And tomorrow can be the last of our days  
With our future the most unclear  
And all our life, waiting for death  
Death is a sweet thing  
Whoever discovered suicide is a genius  
Whoever cries over death is a bastard  
For we are made to die  
Leave the one that died today; he is safe  
Think about your date with death  
And change your ways, so that you will live on  
Not in flesh but in the minds of men  
Life is death, death is life  
To live is to die and to die is to live  
Whoever lives today is preparing to die  
So live every minute like the next will be the date  
Live not in fear but as a man ready to embrace

death

So do good and in all your doings be good

Let me go out with glory

Let not I be shamed in death

Let a smile end my last days

Let me hear in death 'he was a good man'

Let my passing out be a delight

And when the date comes,

With an embrace, will I go out to meet him

But,

Till the darkness becomes brightest

Till the fire goes out with the last flicker

Let me live today and die tomorrow

Let me use all the good in me for men

And make better the flocks of men that lives

Till then I will always remember

Life is death, death is life

To live is to die and to die is to live

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# Mi Africa El África

Me asomé a la oscuridad del día  
Con la burla maliciosa de nuestra generación  
A medida que se pone detrás de la montaña de la civilización  
Al ser un mestizo de la vida  
Con maneras de los blancos lavando nuestros caminos  
Volviendo donde sale el sol hasta donde se establece

Me incliné bisagras de mi pierna para contemplar con claridad la belleza del sol  
Yo sobre la arena para contemplar  
La gloria de la luna  
Por encima de ellos brilla con los espejismos del cielo  
Desde el comienzo de las generaciones  
Siempre sin modificar

Ahora la esclavitud está profundamente enraizada en nuestras venas  
En nombre de la civilización  
Al girar el aumento de la jornada a la configuración de la jornada

Aquí es donde sale el sol  
Y no donde se pone  
Aquí es donde las mareas roll a su mar  
Aquí es donde la brisa sopla a tu tierra  
Somos el original de la obra de Dios '  
Nosotros somos los que la lucha del hombre por el hombre  
No ocultar la cara detrás de las armas  
Somos los guerreros mandinga  
Somos africanos

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# Miss You

Day's are filled with work  
Busy has evrything been  
But as night fall upon the land  
And the lovely stars stud the sky  
With the moon hinting brightly  
With all my heart  
I wish you were here

When daylight turns into a darkened hue  
And all automobiles head home  
With duty done till tomorrow  
And the sun finds solace behind the sky  
With all my heart  
I wish you are here

When nights are long and the days short  
When one's daily job is quickly done  
When friends are few anddays long  
A silent whisper and a full tear  
With all my heart  
I wish you were here

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# My Dream

I had a dream of a land so blessed  
Where the moon dance to the gentle night wind  
A place with its night always an hour of shining stars  
Where tall palm trees rusle in high night breeze  
And the glee glinting dew last longer on leaves  
A sky so blue with an artistic spray of white  
With a cool pink light before the heat of the day  
The royal sun so sweet to the skin  
And the cool caressing winds soothing our gentle senses

When i realize it was a dream  
I wished i never woke up

'cos i live in a cursed dark cemetery  
A place so desolate with only dried leaves as bed  
With a thick black soke rising sadly into the sky  
All biosphere is filled with cries and screams  
A tract of night filled with dust-ladened star  
Where dark downpour comes hurrying down  
And the wicked winds slashing deep through the skin  
With the heated sn scorchingly and fiercely  
Burning the remains of our flesh from famine

Oh what an evil world is this  
One ladened with all the cruelty of nature

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# My Ecstasies

Call to me those dreams of younge days  
Draw me nearer towards my achievement  
Make me do that which is right  
Give me a future so bright  
Bring me to the most precious place  
Say to me the most lovely words  
Show me the most beautiful sight  
Tell me that i in terms of choice right  
So that my human power will be fresher  
My prowess in life greater  
And my end will be much brighter

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# My Love

When my ember of love grows  
Into a full fire of love that glows  
When the hidden eyes of my heart  
Will shine my light of love on earth  
For me to behold your ephemeral beauty  
Ere it vanishes into vanity  
Before your heartthrob honour turns into dust  
And into ashes men's lust  
And my love into the world so wild from you  
Let me confess of my love so true  
That'll forever be fresh as a morning dew  
And that love like mine for is very few

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# My Plea

Sound my angelic yelp to the roof of the world  
Let my pains reach the doors of heaven  
Give wings to the cries of a martyr  
Let the words of my lips fly to your ears  
Heed my humble cry and my gentle plea  
Let the courier of prayers convey my supplications  
I plead in the corner of my loneliness  
For my heart desires to flourish  
And my lost soul be found once again  
So I cry out for help  
Let help come from the edges of the world

So I bend my knees  
Let answers come from motherearth's core  
I plead an angel's presence  
To help bring an end to my suffering

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# New Beginning

My days in the east is swiftly over

To revel around my Gracie

Err the tides of life blows me away

Not from her but from here

Let your heart not be weary

“Cos only for the future I go”

A sacrifice not of blood but of time and distance

And time will one day pass

Then the one day will be here

To with you share each day as it comes together

2.

The time is upon us when a new day will be born;

When the homely weather will be no more

Save for the friends that swarm alongside me away from here.

Is our land lost or has all hope been dashed

For From our land we set forth

Away we wish we go from our nation

Not on foot like the ancient men

but on the streamlined air floater,

Which to me is a worthwhile long term mouth-watering venture

Which into my dreams remains dear

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Now reality has gotten the better of me

For now the May day is upon me

As I stood beside the giant transporter

I waved my last dose to people

And at this dire time of loneliness

Comes the silence as deafening as a graveyard

With the silence came an influx of emotions

Mixed feelings in an unpleasant array

One of gaiety and another of sadness

But in truth a better tomorrow lies ahead

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Away from the familiar shores we sail

To the so called virgin land we ventured

And now the future starts from here.

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# Night

The dark is here  
Sounds of automobiles drilling deep into the ears  
Car's headlight striking powerfully the eyes  
Lots of buzzing on the road  
Movement like the bubbles of the boiling water  
Everybody finding their abode to lay to rest their bodies

The dark is here  
A place where the road is as dark as the black curtain  
Not like the elite's habitat that is lit up with lights  
Ours is always in total darkness  
And we always walk in great fear

Let us sleep in the night  
And wake up in the morning to fight  
For light in the night  
Then will we walk freely free from fear  
If we stand up for our right

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# Odyssey

An odyssey of self-discovery  
The storm of life directing my path  
Weary is my hand becoming  
Stronger is the storm pulling  
The oars is pulling me from both side  
My transport box seems to be my death box  
My fate do i think is destruction  
All nature forces walking against my direction  
I try to use all of my strength  
But i left all into the king of life

Let him speak peace into my storm of life  
He should take the oars of my box  
Let him allow nature to smile at me  
And make the sea very calm to me  
Let him make the waves carry me to my destination  
Also the air to breath peace unto me  
And all my body, soul and spirit shall become calm  
In the end do i want to land at the shores  
With hope, faith, joy and peace will i continue  
For my odyssey is not yet finished

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# Once Upon A Time In Nigeria

There was a time  
When shoulders were raised high  
When hope beautifies people's face  
There was a time  
When anthems were sung with joy

There was a time  
When the coats of arms were cherished  
When the eyes admire the beauty therein  
There was a time  
When flags were hoisted with pride

There was a time  
When words were said from the heart  
When the face beams with passion  
There was a time  
When the pledge is said with heartfelt joy

There was a time  
When uniforms were worn with dignity  
There was a time  
When leaders serve with humility  
There was a time  
When everybody live together in unity

Those were days of...

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# Our Plight

In the heart of the hinterland  
Descended wickedness with a heavy hand  
Blood painted the streets red  
Blown into pieces is the head

Men lift up holy hands in praise  
With praises they fill their days  
For they live to hear the boom of the bomb  
And tell the stories not, to the walls of their tomb

No matching in the park  
No sounds of war in the dark  
No warning note tendered  
All you hear is the evil being rendered  
With the boom comes the screams  
A car, a house, a man, the burning beams

From the beam we run helter-skelter  
Away from our abode we seek shelter  
Our castle is surprised and plundered  
Our kinsmen savagely murdered

“Wish we could brew us a medicine of revenge  
To destroy deadly raccoon that ravages human soul”

Our country bleeds to death  
To death is our future hacked  
Survival now a dearth  
For evil men are now backed  
With weapons that destroy life in mass  
And good men now flee about  
While death flow in the air as gas  
And the country now in a bout

Our country now sink beneath the yoke  
The country on our behalf weeps and bleeds  
While we sleep and don't care

As long as we don't care  
About what happens in the hinterland

I plead we seek a desolate place  
And there weep our bosoms empty  
For our future now lie in peril

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# Prophet Jah

A religious fanatic clad in white  
Portraying a white religion uniformly right  
Staying at the side of an ocean  
As if his God is in the wave motion  
Easily is he transferred to the spiritual realm  
As if a clap acts to him like rotating a ship's helm  
He acts as if he knows what you came for  
But what he knows is how to manipulate to the core  
He learns the style of shivering while chanting  
An expert in the religious style of dancing  
Even God sits down above watching the fool  
Making us think with God he is cool

Every mouth shall open when they behold their travail  
When the truth of God will forever prevail

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# Questions In My Heart

As I parade the streets of Nigeria  
Many questions keep occurring to me  
Roads filled with small and big lakes  
Holes deep enough to bury an elephant  
Many questions flood my inquisitive mind  
Where is the budgeted fund flowing to?  
To their pockets or their money reservoir  
Can't stop these questions from coming  
Are they our leaders or our Lord?  
Are we their follower or slave?  
Many questions keep flooding my heart  
Don't they have eyes to see?  
Don't they have ears to hear?  
Eyes to see the pains of the people  
And ears to hear the cries of the masses  
I am always filled with series of questions  
Anytime I am on the street  
Can't things be better?  
Is this how it will continue?  
Questions keep coming  
And they seem not to end

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# Story Of Love

Each day lay I on my bed  
With closed eyes I dream of my love  
Still unknown to my naked eyes  
But that sweet love I long for everytime  
In a distant place from here  
Her pictures so close to my heart  
I long to have her in my grasp  
That I pray to see her now  
Happy am i  
'cos from a distant land  
From the depth of my imagination  
She touched me with the warmth of her hands

## Part 2

Oh, is this how it feels to have her  
Close not only to my heart but also to my flesh  
Never will she slip away from here  
'cos my real love have I found  
Now that she is here  
I have the beauty of the galaxies in my sky  
The beauty I once imagine now for me to see  
The sun will kiss the earth, while it rains  
And everytime I see far-off  
High heavens being kissed by mountains

## Part 3

Oh, the sun has gone down with the valley  
The singing bird has fled into their nest  
For my love is now nowhere near me  
My love that shine in the dark  
Now graphite hidden in the dark  
My love away from me have you fled  
And from here my heart wanders about  
Like the tides of the ocean  
For my love has gone to another  
The night is dead and the sun has gone to bed  
With the stars nowhere to be found  
For my love has flee into her chambers

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# Strength For Your Weakness

This poem was inspired by God, my baby Omotola Owuh and by the circumstances around me. I dedicate it to My God, my Family and My Baby

As you step out of your comfort zone  
Life might hit you hard on your face  
You might stretch your hands for showers of blessing  
And end up only with blisters and bruises

Life to you might turn to beds of thorns  
And each step might feel like the floor is filled with broken glasses  
You might stretch your hands to fly  
Just to find out someone's duty is to pull you down  
Life might to you be too cruel and fierce

You might struggle day in day out and become weary  
You might decide to take a nap under a tree  
Only to find out it is soldier-ants infested  
You might be sweet-tongued to take a path  
Only to find out it is a wrong path  
Your strength might diminish at every passing minute

In life's sojourn, your feet will hurt  
Your strength will wane  
Your joy will be tainted by sadness  
Those that have always stood by you might be nowhere to be found  
And every passing pains too much for you to bear

Your path will be blocked by obstacles  
At almost every point of your journey  
Daylight might wane and darkness might intensify  
And every junction might be confusion itself

I tell you, keep keeping on  
Let the last strength in you be usurped  
For you might do all in your power  
And yet none will be fulfilled of your aim and ambition  
Not man not you not your strength

But listen today to the words of my hands

Instead of lamenting, questions should be asked  
What am I not doing wrong?  
What am I not supposed to do?

When help doesn't come when really needed  
Ask if you would have helped, if it was you?  
Like begets like  
And you get what you deserve

You might be the strongest man living  
You might be brewing with great ideas  
Listen I tell you,  
Those things amounts to nothing

You might wake up every morning  
And do all that is needed to win  
Listen I tell you  
It takes something more than the natural  
Being a success is supernatural

If you listen not to the words of my hands  
Then all trials, challenges and pains  
Will become a victor and you a victim  
Then the beauty of life will be sour to your taste  
And the bitterness thereof all you can taste

Maybe we should wait  
Till all your powers have been usurped  
Maybe you will tell the designer of time and life  
To help when all humanly hope is dashed

He knows there will be times we will need him  
Even when we don't realize we need him every moment  
He knows we will one day be troubled in our mind  
Perhaps we will find him for help  
He await that time we will know all is about him

He is the God of all creation  
He cares now and always forever  
Neglect him and run the race of life all by yourself

Acknowledge him and learn that life is beautiful  
When you think there is no way  
He will show you the way  
Or even make the way for you

Run as much as you can  
You can't over take him even when he is crawling  
Fly as high as you can  
You can't get to his place of abode  
For on the wings of man can you fly

He made the wings of angels  
He can give you to fly beyond human reach  
Trust him, love him, walk with him  
And you will achieve the impossible

When nature strikes you hard on your face  
He will soothe your feelings  
When challenges line themselves in your path  
He will give you wings to fly above them  
Just walk with him

All you need is God in all  
For all that you are, all that you will be He knows

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# Tempestuous Life

Swept by our tempestuous love  
I thought we'll share our lifetime together  
But like a breathe in the wind  
I was long lost in the world of uncertainty  
Neglecting all the fact of the probability  
I was thrown deep into the pit of love  
Like the sea-weed habituating the sea  
Rising up with the wave that rises  
Being pulled down with the waves that recedes  
I was blinded from the upcoming events  
Thinking I've found that which people for their lifetime search  
Forgetting life is a drift of dust  
That'll sooner or later be blown away by the wind  
Neglecting the minute possibility of the negative  
Thinking I could for long hold on to our love  
To find solace and motivation in it  
I with full force plunged into the river of love  
And with the intensity of my plunging  
Was I thrown back to the state I long left  
Leaving me at the mercy of my broken heart

Now my days is now coloured black  
With my sun grey while my moon bled  
Now I lay beneath the water of wish  
Seizing my breathe till my head surfaces above the sea level  
With my inspiration now waning bit by bit  
Now I stand alone in the ruins of my past  
Tears tracing my cheek's contour lines  
To find the pieces to assemble back  
Now I struggle to get on with life  
As days count and time ticks  
I sought to bend time unto space  
This alas to my human strength unachievable  
With the greatest arsenal have I fought  
And with it have you dealt with me  
Making me a victim of such emotional attack

As the love we share lay dead in the mortuary of hope  
Making my love only to linger in wishes of the future

The soul of my life's strength lingers in the past  
And the spirit of my motivation  
Dwells in a far realm from my castle  
Making my bright sun to hide behind the sky  
Turning my clear sky into a grey mass  
Casting a dark shadow of gloom on me  
Like the sky that is ready for a let down  
Leaving me at the edge of my seat  
Waiting for the piss-down from my sky  
To see a sky once again clear  
Like it has never been painted grey once  
To this effect I wait for my sky  
Till it gets heavy with the burdens of tears  
And let down the drops of water  
Then after this downpour  
Will I have to myself once again  
The truth of love, the soul of my motivation  
And once again give body, form and life to my loves' cinder  
Because I'll rise in love again  
But this time to till eternity be together  
And to pledge to love again and for real

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# The Child

The disease I despise  
In the heat of the day and the chill of the night  
Flows freely rampaging our little hope  
Macheting men's soul every moment  
Corrupting the innocent with filth  
The disease I despise  
Not yet a plague  
As the children still comes uncorrupted to this world

So I pick up a baby  
To whisper the word of the worlds into his eager ears  
His love senses I ignite towards doing good  
And his hate senses towards evil  
To make one that will stand against the ills of the society  
The words I spoke into his ears  
Were unto him a vaccine  
Against the plagues that is destroying our nation  
Now he marches on as a war General  
Against the evil that has one time dominated  
The heart of men

To change the world start from the class

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# The End

He made the bow  
And left the row  
He kicked the bucket  
And dropped the racket  
Like a baby sung lullaby  
He died without gory  
And left the world with glory

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# The Making

Blazing hot  
Tender like a baby's cot  
For casted is the lot  
And mounted the pot  
On the burning tripod  
Like cooking a cod

The choice is made

Enjoyment ends the duo  
Beautiful is the scenario

it is more than pleasure  
My love is a treasure  
Everly burning fresh

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# The Tramp

A dump for all refuse  
Her dignity is let loose  
For the pigs to trample upon  
A garage for all cars  
Her gift of manhood for all  
A site for all immorality  
She is a refuse dump  
She is a filthy rag  
She is a trash  
She is without value  
A dirt bag she is

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# Till Tomorrow Comes

Till tomorrow comes  
When we shall know our fate  
Let me not be that which can be forgotten  
Let me be like the day you were begotten  
Forever should you make me stay  
To any amount i am ready to pay  
Just to be sure you will stay

Till tomorrow comes  
When we shall know our fate  
Let me not be the roving bird  
That has nowhere to stay  
Let me be your love forever  
Let me stay in the most precious place  
So that then shall i remember in great peace  
That which we share together as a love affair

Till tomorrow  
When we shall know our fate  
Let that love remain there  
And your value to you always dear  
Remembering i will always care

Till tomorrow comes  
You will be a sacrosanct to me

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# Timeless Love

Cool breeze tonight, ceaselessly flow  
Chirping of birds, a parcel from nature  
Rustling of leaves harmonizes my heartbeat  
My heart synchronizes with the ticking of the clock  
In this environ I ponder,  
How a moment with you went  
In the quietness of my soul, I asked  
In the darkness of my eyes, I searched  
For I flew into your abode  
To with \*Beauty\* be at home  
From my habitat, my transporter ran  
To \*Beauty\* on tyres of birds, we flew  
Ere before distance takes you away  
Just to with you be alone, I came  
For passions to reality flow, I came  
And love in reality see  
With our hands entwined  
Our gaze on each other  
Here I am at your abode  
But,  
Off you go again on wings of distance  
Away you fly on chariots of time  
Before here you are, now you over there  
But in the deepest part of me, you linger  
In the heart of my being, there you are  
Always will you be here  
Even when time and distance says &quot;NO&quot;  
&quot;...Eyes closed, hands placed on chest...&quot;  
Ours is a timeless love  
Forever, will you remain dear.  
To my sweetheart, just every moment with you I  
ask...I love you baby

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# Treasure

Tastier than honey  
Really soft for the feel  
Endearing to the senses  
Always different every time  
Same yet so different  
Uncut, yet so modest  
Refuge for manhood  
Evidently this is treasure

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# Welcome To The South

A peep outside my window  
Beautiful pictures crawls in  
A perfect achitectural landscape  
Lush lawn with green vegetation  
One without end

Our land is green

Ceaseless stretches of blue sky  
With an artistic spray of white...  
Rays of sunlight adds glamour to the sky  
Which in the beauty of its light shines  
Not in the fury of its brightness

This is where the sun rises  
Not where it sets

Our nights are without pitch-darkness  
But one with the moon beam  
Continously kissing the earth  
With the majestic beauty of the moon  
is our night beautifully designed

The regal splendour of the star  
Gleefully glinting brightly up in the sky

On our skies,  
Lies the gorgeous array of the stars  
The beautiful beauty of the moon  
And the regalia of the sun

Here in the south, can you see  
The beauty of the sun, moon, stars  
In the right doses

Welcome to the south

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