

Poetry Series

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I have been writing poetry for over twenty years now. This collection of poems hopefully will inspire, encourage or uplift someone in their daily walk with life and that you will have an enriching and rewarding experience after reading them. I have also written poetry locally for family and friends. A poem titled A Land So Fair, Home at Last, Journey Home and Heaven Sent was printed on obituaries. Another poem titled "My Quiet Corner" was posted in a local newspaper over fifteen years ago and was also selected to appear in a Mirrors of The Soul edition with the Modern Poetry Society in 1995. Numerous poems have also been recited at family reunions, other social gatherings and at worship services. Additional poems titled A Faithful Friend(twice selected) , If I Could Fly, and Simple Pleasures were chosen as Member Poem of the Day. A poem No Room For Hate(was also chosen as an International poem) . Another poem titled "Stay in School" was printed in a class reunion booklet.

Philosophies in life are: Love of God, Fellowman and Preservation of Family.

Hobbies are reading, listening to music, singing, writing lyrics for music, spending time and reciting poetry for family & friends and taking long walks.

Special interests are: tutoring, mentoring, motivator, volunteering and by all means writing poetry and short essays.

Many heartfelt thanks to all of you for taking time out of your busy schedules to read some of my works.

# A Beautiful Flower

You held a dried flower then laid it on the cold ground  
With your head bowed lowly the tears began to fall down  
He felt your pain and sadness then said to you with a smile  
Lift up your eyes unto the hills then live life on my child

Lay your every concerns and cares gently upon My breast  
Sorrows sure to come your way so try to stand lifes test  
The light will always shine on you each and every day  
Then you'll be able to say with joy come whatever may

A beautiful flower that had grown carefully picked from above  
Planted in His lovely garden to always be looked at with love  
Will never have to be nurtured nor ever to be watered again  
To grow and flourish upward always having never ever to bend

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# A Faithful Friend

How many of you can find a faithful friend?  
That will stick close by you unto the very end  
When trouble comes they will never forsake  
Always ready to give more than they will take

A friend like that is so very hard to find  
One you can count on to talk and unwind  
Someone that's concerned about how you feel  
Cares for you deeply with a love that's real

A friend when in need is a friend indeed  
Show yourself friendly by sowing the seed  
How sweet are the words spoken between friends  
Just like a balm that heals or a needle that mends

A friend that sticks closer than any brother  
Very trustworthy and not the same as another  
You can count on them to answer when you call  
There to help you when your back is to the wall

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# A Family Reunion

The family all gathered around the heavy laden table  
Their hands clasped together with heads bowed down low  
Giving their many thanks for another chance to be able  
To receive all the blessings that the Father would bestow

Many tasty home made dishes were passed from hand to hand  
Sounds of laughter coming from every woman, child and man  
Conversations around the table would never seem to end  
Others wondering when they'll ever see each other again

Children running to and fro in each and every directions  
Everyone showing lots of love and many unbridled affections  
Families coming together in a great display of much unity  
Allowing others to see how a family should really ought to be

The time has been much well spent and now it is time to part  
Seeing loved ones once again had really touched their heart  
Goodbyes and farewells were one of the hardest things to do  
Looking forward to another reunion and another new year too

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# A Land So Fair

A land that's overflowing with milk and honey  
No need for food, clothing, goods or money  
Neither sickness, sorrow, death nor pain  
Nor shelter from the storm not even the rain

The cities are paved with streets of pure gold  
Rivers of waters flowing with riches untold  
There will be no sun to shine ever so bright  
Stars that used to twinkle on a starry night

Angels will sing songs so glorious and gay  
Their voices can be heard all night and day  
A trip that's eternal never more to return  
Where you'll live forever no more to yearn

Traveling to a land that is ever so fair  
Where the Heavenly Father will meet you there  
A place where life will never have to end  
The journey is over a new life to begin

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# A Lone Sparrow

A lone sparrow begins to build her warm and cozy nest  
Searching for materials to stand the harsh weathers test  
Gathers moss from trees, dried leaves and some sticks  
Builds a home for herself and her soon to be chicks

She finds a place where instinct says that it's secure  
Carefully weaving it together, that is her only chore  
The days began to pass and then turned into weeks  
Leaving the nest only when there is food she seeks

The time had finally came when her eggs began to hatch  
Protecting them from being objects of an untimely catch  
Gone for just a little while can't leave her nest for long  
Must return home right away until her chicks grew strong

Don't trouble that lone sparrow, it's hard to guess her mood  
Will fly right out and peck you when you disturb her brood  
From that little lone sparrow some feathered friends were born  
Perched under an old oak tree until the sweet and early morn

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# A Lovers Stroll

Two lovers strolling on the beach walking hand in hand  
Barefoot and scantily clad upon the bleached white sand  
Their sweet words are many as the sand is on the shore  
They held each other tightly as if to part no more

The love they shared is like honey flowing from a tree  
True love that is experienced tis but a mystery  
When you have finally found true love give it all you got  
To have and to hold as the saying goes why not give it a shot

Just like the fish in the ocean love can seldom be caught  
Like seeking a precious jewel it's always and ever been sought  
No one wants to say farewell especially to love so soon  
Whispering softly to each other they stayed and watched the moon

Alas! the true meaning of love who can know it all  
No one can give the answer not even the crystal ball  
Ah! my love the time has come for us to finally part  
Love pierces the heart like an arrow and sears like a dart

The love they shared is as rich as a goldmines treasure  
It's deeper than the ocean and is far beyond measure  
They continued to stroll with a hint of gleam in their eyes  
Saddened only by the fact they had to say their goodbyes

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# A Member To Remember

May never get to see your face  
Will love you ever just in case  
Visits to PH as a big family  
A Poet member we will always be

May never get to hear your voice  
Responses or requests is our choice  
Fitted together like a hand in a glove  
Tightly woven in a band of love

We'll always strive to do our best  
Be ourselves and not like the rest  
Displaying of poetry for all to see  
A Poet member we will always be

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# A Memorial

Risked their lives to protect and defend  
Separation from family took time to mend  
Walked on mine fields, waded through waters  
Left behind many wives, sons and daughters

Fought for our country to keep it free  
All are the heroes who died for you and me  
Some battles was lost and others were won  
Toiling until the rising and setting of the sun

Looking to the flag that will ever stand tall  
The red, white and blue means freedom for all  
To all who died or continues to pay the cost  
The star spangled banner ever echoing our loss

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# A Salute To Soldiers

Marching on to battle in the land and home of the free  
Far away from family and the love ones they long to see  
Yearning to be with the ones at a place they love at best  
Braving the harsh weather just to pass freedoms test

The seeds of war and unrest had already been sown  
Fighting the battles with dangers unaware and unknown  
Crouching at attention in a ditch so deep and narrow  
Wading through waters so high and sometimes very shallow

Secretly stalking the enemy under the dark cover of night  
Forever on the watch with all their strength and might  
Treading ever so cautiously over booby trapped mines  
Careful not to cross over to the side of the enemy lines

Waiting for the time when the battles will begin to cease  
All Hail! to the brave soldiers fighting to keep the peace  
The high cost for freedom can never be paid at the most  
Many had lost their lives and others stayed on their post

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# A Shelter

An old abandoned building stood alone across the street  
A haven for the homeless is where they always would meet  
Everyone gathered together for a place to lay their head  
Safer to be under cover than having to sleep outside instead

Just to keep their bodies warm they try to stay huddled together  
A shelter from the rain and snow or any kind of stormy weather  
The tales that are always told is always 'what could have been'  
All their family and loved ones they haven't seen since when

Warming all their hands and feet in front of an old smoky fire  
Wearing of shoes so worn that had withstood all the muck and mire  
Many times these words were spoken 'so just come whatever may'  
Always living life on the edge or whether they'll see another day

Then the moon or stars at night loomed near like a silent friend  
The long and dreary days of survival seemed never to have an end  
As the sun begins to set they can still see a faint light that glows  
If ever there was an end to their plight only the homeless one knows

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# A Treasure Chest

I searched for many treasures that reminded me of you  
Your precious heart of gold and your radiant smile too

Saw the grace of your steps as you strolled into a room  
Walking like you did when I was the bride and you the groom

Looked for you out the window when the rain started to fall  
Listening so intently for it seemed that I heard you call

Stared at your footprints that you left behind in the snow  
Watched you shake and shivered as cold winds began to blow

Gazed at the glint in your eyes as you peered up to the sun  
Looked at hands so rugged having toiled until the day is done

A lovely treasure you are to me and yes a whole lot more  
A precious jewel waiting ever at the threshold to the door

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# Always

Just like a fresh breeze cooling the night air  
Is your soft whisper flowing through my hair  
Your sweet words encircle my heart like an halo  
Lets stay here forever where love will ever grow  
Always!

When it's time for us to part there'll be lots of sorrow  
Can't wait to see you once again, hoping for a tomorrow  
Our days together was well spent and life was at its best  
Hoping that our special bond will stand lifes harshest test  
Always!

Creating our special garden will harvest a love so sweet  
A place made only for us, is where we will always meet  
We exchange our vows to each other with words so kind and true  
This day forward we promise each other it'll just be me and you  
Always!

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# An Angel Just For Me

As I was walking through the woods on a warm Summer day  
Then saw an Angel up ahead as I went along my way  
My reaction to this Angel was not borne out of fear  
I began to speak softly for I knew that she could hear

She looked at me with eyes of love but did not say a word  
Then bowed her head solemnly that told me that she heard  
A Heavenly messenger just for me sent from God above  
To guide and protect me with an abundant shower of love

We often began to wonder if Angels really do exist  
They appear to us in many ways by a hug, kind words or a kiss  
When I got to the end of the path she said to me with a smile  
I traveled with you along the way and guarded you all the while

The path that I had chosen to take apparently without a care  
This was the way I had to go for my Angel was already there  
An Angel just for me I said as I headed back for home  
Always with me wherever I go and however I choose to roam

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# An Angry Sea

As the sea rose up and down wind and tempest tossed  
Hands on board began to shout we'll be forever lost  
The captain of the wavering ship began to take a stance  
Set the sails and man the helms there'll be no other chance

Sea waves became so violent as if they had no fear  
Some sailors manned the front and others covered the rear  
The ship began rocking to and fro on top of the rugged sea  
None could ever have imagined how an angry sea could be

They said to one another we must act quickly to be saved  
Fear began to grip some then others soon ranted and raved  
Water began to rush in and covered the deck round about  
We must all abandon ship and they soon began to bail out

They threw their rafts into the water and shouted with a roar  
Then jumped overboard and stuck together then soon began to oar  
Their ship began to waver and started very slowly to sink  
The Lord of the Seas had spoken as they all began to think

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# Be Encouraged

When you have been inspired to do great things in life  
The road ahead will be filled with many a trouble and strife  
You've tried to succeed many times but always seem to fail  
Maybe the path you have taken is worn so try another trail

The path that is set before us is filled with many a gravel  
There is many a curves set before us and can be difficult to travel  
So don't give up and keep the faith, not accept failure as your fate  
That is when success will step in and open up the gate

Many signs are set before us to show us the way to go  
We ignore the very things that keeps us in the know  
It seems like success takes a long time to enter in  
When you feel like giving up is when faith steps in and win

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# Be Thankful

You woke up this morning  
To see the bright sunshine  
You had food on your table  
Was in your right mind  
Be thankful

Had shoes on your feet  
Clothes on your back  
Money in your pocket  
Enough for a good snack  
Be thankful

Family and friends  
A good pal too  
Some live far away  
Others near to you  
Be thankful

A stroll in the park  
Some trips to the store  
Who could ever ask  
For anything more  
Be thankful

The day is far spent  
About to come to an end  
To see the sunset  
Just around the bend  
Be thankful

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# Birthday Blessings

To all who have a birthday many blessings to you  
Many years have passed after all you've been through  
Some days were good and there were bad times too  
Troubles and sorrows from people you thought you knew

Make it a great day one that you will never forget  
Do something special that you won't live to regret  
Sing a favorite song or talk about the good old days  
Live life to the fullest and feel the bright sun rays

Greet each day with a smile until God's kingdom come  
A happy day for others and also a sad day for some  
Yes this birthday blessing is a gift from me to you  
If not for His grace and mercy what would we all do

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# Broken Mirrors

Behind every broken mirror  
Many dreams have been lost  
The ones that came through  
Came at a very high cost

They are constant reminders  
To what things may have been  
Some memories ever before us  
How things used to be back then

A life that has been broken  
Can sometimes be amended  
By kind words that's spoken  
Broken mirrors are soon ended

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# Bullying

Frightened and bewildered you feel so all alone  
To fend for yourself all your friends are gone  
Ran for cover but you left behind a trail  
You tried to defend yourself but to no avail  
Be encouraged, stay focused and be strong

Dear God please help me and give me the courage  
To share my problems and not to be discouraged  
I can not fight these battles all by myself  
Need to tell somebody not place it on a shelf  
Be encouraged, stay focused and be strong

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# Burden Bearer

As I was walking down one day on an old rugged road  
Wondering how I would make it with such a heavy load  
My burdens are so many I cannot bear them all  
That's when I needed a Saviour to answer my every call

When troubles are so many and seems so hard to bear  
Call on the name of Jesus and He will answer prayer  
It only takes a moment He is only a breath away  
He will always hear your cry no matter what you say

Your burdens will be lighter if you let me walk with you  
I will brighten up your day and will make your life anew  
Cast all your care on me for I know that you are here  
Come to me wherever you are for I'll always be right there

When days seems long and dreary and you feel you can't go on  
I'll be right there beside you so you won't have to go alone  
I can see the little sparrow when it falls upon the ground  
Will also lift you up for you were lost and now you're found

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# Butterfly And The Bee

Stepped into the ring without a trace of fear  
Fists held high as if to say would anyone dare  
Bobbed his head up and down then looked around  
No greater boxer in the world can ever be found

Pommeled his opponents then knocked them to the floor  
The harder he boxed the more the crowd would roar  
His opponents fought bravely and gave him all they had  
Some won the prized belt and others went away sad

The bell then sounded had to take some time out  
It was rung again for they had to go another bout  
Winded and weary still had that smile on his face  
Stepped to the left then right with a steady pace

The boxing match was soon over had to call it a TKO  
Many of the fans applauded and others were ready to go  
Hands held high for the winner, head bowed low by the foe  
How many rounds a match can go no one will ever know

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# Carefree Days

The seeds of love was already sown and slowly began to grow  
We had to learn from each other is how we stayed in the know  
Brothers and sisters were we, a special gift to one another  
Growing up together as children with a loving father and mother

Hide and seek and playing tags was two of our favorite games  
No time left for bullying or calling each other out their names  
Rolling around an old worn tire with just a tiny piece of stick  
Racing and trying to get ahead you had better be more than quick

We never had the time to say that our life was just a bore  
Playtime we had were many other times we were given a chore  
Climbing the many tall trees was only just a part of the fun  
Lying in the thick broom grass face up to the shining sun

The neighbors who lived next to us was a part of our family  
An extension of love and devotion is how our friends should be  
We all lived in a community that always tried to stick together  
In good times and bad times or in any kind of stormy weather

Winters fury finally came and the gusty cold winds began to blow  
Ground was a blanket of white we slipped and slided in the snow  
Blessings were plentiful we only had to reach out to receive  
Were already placed there before us we just only had to believe

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# Cherish Each Day

Spend precious moments with a love one  
Take the time to give a word of cheer  
Then live out your life to the fullest  
Knowing He will always be right there

Sees the birds when they fall from a tree  
Cares for them as He does for you and me  
Give shelter from the storm and also the rain  
Never have to worry about troubles ever again

No more darkness see only the bright light  
Keep walking by faith and not by your sight  
To live with Him forever where life has no end  
Cherish each new day that He will ever send

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# Child's Play

When the children goes outside to play  
So happy just to see a brand new day  
They're color blind in each and every way  
In love and peace or come whatever may

Love can come in all kinds of shade  
Like the hues sparkling from the rainbow  
In the image of God is how we are made  
Called the human race that we all know

After running or playing hide and go seek  
Hungry, tired they're all humble and meek  
Learning from them we can unite as one  
Child's play goes on until the day is done

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# Dear Old Dad

You were the kind of daddy that nurtured us to grow  
We were taught early in life you reap just what you sow  
Hard work you would always say never killed anyone  
You rose early and toiled all day til the setting of the sun

When you came home from work all day tired and worn out  
You gave your love so freely without a shadow of a doubt  
We could never begin to imagine how much you loved us so  
The more you had to provide for us the further you would go

Spare the rod and spoil the child was not your thing to do  
You showed how much you cared for us with a love so deep and true  
Granted that we as children were nothing but hard headed  
We felled into mischief many times wherever we so treaded

To a great Dad that meant all in the world to us  
A loving God that called you home must have wanted you thus  
On this vast Earth of ours you were created to show your love  
A Heavenly gift to us from God sent so lovingly from above

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# Diamonds In The Sky

The bright sun rises above the earth like a sparkling jewel  
Shines its light with such radiance and warms the air

Then sets in the west to make a way for the luminous moon  
That casts its brilliant shadows all through the night

Her heavenly glow is hidden so that the bright stars can shine  
They display their twinkling lights to brighten the universe

Brilliant and radiant clouds suddenly turns blue to gray  
Shedding their tears with raindrops that fall softly upon the earth

Saturating the parched ground with its life sustaining water  
The rainbow appears in majestic splendor after the rain

Shaped like an arc through the skies with its splash of colors  
Reaching across the Heavens like a painter's work of fine art

Draping the sky like a portrait that was painted by the hands of God  
Reaches to the end of the earth like a flashing diamond in the sky

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# Differences

You may think one way  
I might think another  
We began to separate  
Start to say why bother  
Uniting with each other  
We're bound to one another  
In unity there is strength  
When we go the extra length  
My ways are not your ways  
Your ways are not mine  
Still we can come together  
Our differences we will find  
Other paths may also be taken  
May lead to the same destination  
Love and peace are not forsaken  
Time to stop our procrastination  
My ways can be your ways  
The flag of freedom is flown  
Your ways can be my ways  
As we rise to heights unknown

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# Down Under

Life is flourishing under the deep sea  
Dolphins and whales swimming with glee  
In a vast world that is mostly unknown  
Amongst reefs and corals so freely grown

A safe haven for many mammals and fishes  
An abundant catch is what a fisherman wishes  
Some sunken treasures that's forever lost  
Many lives were paid at a very high cost

Home for wrecked ships lies under the ocean  
A burial under the sea forever their portion  
Entombed in a watery grave is where they'll be  
Only Divine intervention will ever set them free

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# Emotions

Love is a deep emotion we have for one another  
It is shared by a friend, father, mother or a lover  
The giving of ones self of something tried and true  
Can either break the heart or make you feel like new

Happiness is a feeling that may only last for a day  
Lots of money and many friends come whatever may  
Might only stay for a moment and can quickly fly away  
Depends on how you are treated and what others might say

Joy will last forever, something you won't have to mend  
Wells up like a spring of water that seems to have no end  
Won't depend on how you feel or what might happen to you  
Always there when you need it so very faithful and true

Peace is like the rivers of water flowing calmly down the Nile  
Sitting on an old park bench just to relax a little while  
Staying calm when trouble arise or able to withstand lifes test  
Getting together with family and friends when love is at its best

Hate at last can destroy you or can eat away at your heart  
Try to put it far behind you and make a brand new start  
The choices that you make will determine how you live  
Will always be a part of us to accept or either to give

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# Fallen Angels

They left behind family and friends  
So that others could remain free  
Holding back tears trying to be brave  
Gave their lives for you and me  
Never looking back just marched on ahead  
To a place unknown filled with fear and dread

Hoping one day to return to home sweet home  
To a place where their love ones dwell  
Reminiscing and talking about the good old days  
What went on during wartime no one wanted to tell  
When darkness covered the untrodden path up ahead  
Would rather be at home with loved ones instead

The casualties of war had already taken its toll  
Grim stories of the dead and dying began to unfold  
Lives are enriched by their unselfish gifts of love  
What was taken from us was restored from up above  
Our fallen angels have lost their earthly wings  
Died for our freedom but has gained as heaven sings

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# From One To One Hundred

The very first poem that I wrote  
Is titled 'My Quiet Corner'  
Would like to add a little note  
I felt just like a loner

As I progressed at my poetry skills  
Feeling nothing but lots of thrills  
Later made many friends and bonded  
Fears and woes have now absconded

Feeling quite now the bard at heart  
Now I am able to be a vital part  
Many thanks to PH and my poet friends  
A circle of comfort that never ends

Your kind comments meant so much to me  
Though your faces I'll never get to see  
My latest poem titled 'Differences'  
Hope it appeals to all of your senses

When all of the poets can come together  
We will withstand any kind of weather

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# Grandma's House

Grandma lived so close near by just a few steps away  
I always went to visit her house each and every day  
She opens up the back door and greets me with a smile  
Tells me to come right in and talk with her for awhile

A sweet aroma from her kitchen wafted up into the air  
Came from her homemade biscuits made with love and care  
Child you better hasten now your mother will call you soon  
Yes Grandma I'll hurry but I will be right back at noon

Treasured moments that we shared they meant so much to me  
Can't wait until tomorrow for her face again I will see  
Grandma's house was built with love a special place to be  
Still sits there nestled under that enormous old oak tree

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# Haiku.1 - Be Happy

Learn to laugh at yourself  
Take life by the horns and ride  
Leave the excess baggage behind

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## Haiku.2 - Stay Calm

Don't sweat the small stuff  
Take one little step at a time  
Don't bite off too much

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## Haiku.3 - Listen Up

Two ears for a reason  
More a listener  
Only one mouth  
Less a talker  
Listen up!

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## Haiku.4 - Aim High

Reach for the stars  
Don't look back  
Stay focused

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# He Cares

Cast all of your cares on Him  
When troubles come your way  
Lift up your eyes unto the hills  
Then see a bright new day

Knows about your broken heart  
Sees all your silent tears  
Will be right there beside you  
Stand by you through the years

Would never leave you all alone  
Hands that's always opened wide  
A comfort in the time of need  
Be your Healer and your guide

Days can be so long and dreary  
Seems it'll never come to an end  
When it's more than you can bear  
His Angels He will always send

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# "heartbeat"

A little baby slowly crept  
Onto her mothers warm lap  
It was now that time again  
To take a nice noontime nap  
She then laid there for awhile  
Just like a sweet loving child  
It's time to get some needed rest  
Lays her head upon mom's breast  
Then she listened to her heart  
So very happy just to be a part  
Thump, thump and pitter, patter  
Nothing else seemed to matter  
Like music with a steady beat  
Safe and secure on a soft seat  
Soothing sounds tickled the ears  
Taking away all of life's fears  
Looked at mom with eyes of love  
An Angel sent from Heaven above  
Then she started to nod her head  
And was lovingly placed in bed  
Took a deep sigh and sneaked a peep  
Dropped her head and went to sleep

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# Heaven Sent

A special gift from God above  
Sent to you to show His love  
Passing through just for awhile  
Will say one day there is my child

The time has come to return home  
Journey is over no more to roam  
Hoping to see you again someday  
In His bosom is where I will lay

Try not to worry or grieve too much  
Lived my life have savored your touch  
For now I am happy and free from pain  
An earthly loss but a heavenly gain

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# Home At Last

Life was but a shadow that was soon cast aside  
Around the throne with my Father is where I will abide  
Where joy is eternal one I will never have to forsake  
A promise that was made that no one can ever take

This earthly tabernacle was only meant for a while  
A heavenly home made ready for His beloved child  
No more setting of the sun all of life's fears are gone  
Will live with Him forever and never to be left alone

Some days were dark and dreary had some happy days too  
If it wasn't for His mercy I could never have made it through  
Dreams have since vanished and memories a thing of the past  
My Father and I are now one; home at last, home at last

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# Honor

To all that gave their lives so that others could be free  
Gone but not forgotten are those who died for you and me  
With their loved ones left behind and all they held so dear  
None could ever take their place nor wipe away our tear

Forever etched within our hearts can never be erased  
Will always lift the spirits high nor ever to be abased  
Those of us who still remain we'll continue to hold fast  
Lifting up the blood stained banner gripping e'er the mast

Tis the casualties of war fought in the name of peace  
O'er the billowing waves abound battle cries never to cease  
Alas, alas the bell still tolls ringing out its endless peal  
Remembering our heroes past, old wounds just beginning to heal

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# I Gave You My Heart

Since I met you for the very first time  
My heart began to tinkle just like a chime  
As I looked into your eyes so deep and true  
It was then I knew it was just me and you  
I gave you my heart

We knew there were times we would have to part  
When this happened we'd make a brand new start  
The love we shared was deep just like the ocean  
Captured by its spell and dipped in its potion  
I gave you my heart

When we are together time seems to stand still  
Being with one another is our greatest thrill  
Can't wait until tomorrow until we meet again  
Same place, same time, whether sunshine or rain  
I gave you my heart

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# If I Could Fly

If I could fly high in the air like the birds up above  
Then seek out any person that doesn't know how to love  
Looking down upon the earth and seeing all of its glory  
Take to the sky like the morning dove and tell the all time story

When flying far beneath the clear and brilliant skies  
Listening to the hungry and hearing their solemn cries  
Rising high above the rooftops and trying to see within  
People fighting for their freedom and wanting ever to win

Soaring high like the eagle that is sharper than any bird  
Spreading of food to the hungry and speaking a kind word  
Darting up and down like the sparrow to and fro in the air  
Flying around the whole wide world spreading nothing but cheer

Sing like the robin perched on a fence near the gate  
Peck at the heart that is filled with so much hate  
Gather up the dried grapes hanging on the vines so free  
Circle around the lush green forest and rest upon a tree

Coasting and careening up to the greatest of heights  
Seeking to understand mankind and his enormous plights  
Finally to rest in a place where daylight turns to dark  
Yearning ever to fly again a new flight to embark

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# If Walls Could Talk

If walls could talk what would they say?  
Anything and everything come whatever may  
Forget about the past and live only for today  
Life is very short and will soon pass away

Walls cannot see nor can they hear  
A cry for help or the shedding of a tear  
When you need a friend and you're all alone  
No one to talk to because all have gone

If walls could talk what would you say?  
Please send me someone that I don't have to pay  
To talk awhile with me then go on their way  
Then I'll see the sunshine on a brand new day

Some walls are invisible and can't be seen by another  
We know that it's there so we begin to say why bother  
Walls can be torn down and with such a great fall  
We're created to live together here on earth after all

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# If We Ever Meet Again

You go your way and I'll go mine  
Miss you sorely but will be just fine  
If we ever meet again  
Maybe we'll sing a sweet refrain

Parting can be full of sorrow  
Feels like there is no tomorrow  
If we ever meet again  
Perhaps it will be better then

A love so special that we shared  
Only lasted just for awhile  
If we ever meet again  
We'll greet each other with a smile

A love so true that's freely sown  
Will take a little time to grow  
If we ever meet again  
Then love we will forever know

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# In Full Bloom

A fragile rose bush remains invisible  
Worn and tired under the summers heat  
It lies dormant under the frosty snow  
Was treaded upon by countless feet

Lifeless and frozen, not its time to grow  
Until the cold winter had begun to pass  
Its icy blanket soon begins to melt away  
The earth is covered with fresh green grass

A warm breeze cause trees to swivel and sway  
Leaves reaching out with an imaginary hand  
Slowly peeping out amidst stems and thorns  
Birds chirping as loud as they possibly can  
Awakening the peaceful and sweet early morns

The bright sun shines and warms the chilly air  
Some delicate rosebuds slowly begins to appear  
Then bursts forth with their fiery red petals  
More beautiful than a thousand gold medals

An array of colors in red, pink, yellow or white  
Natures fine painting what a wonderful sight  
Adds grace and sparkle to a room filled with gloom  
Fresh picked from a garden that's still in full bloom

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# Just Imagine

Just imagine the snow on a cold Winters day  
When old man winter have had his say  
Then Spring has sprung and its flowers begin to bloom  
Dandelions and croakers are a plenty is there still room?

Now the long hot days of Summer begins to swelter with heat  
It's hard to find a nice cool place just to kick up your feet  
When Autumn shows its many colors in brown, yellow and gold  
Then Fall comes to tell the story and Winter begins to unfold

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# Keepsakes

Fond memories of loved ones gone  
Moms voice was such a sweet tone  
A hardy shake from dads strong hand  
Showing us that he was our great man

Sitting outside on a wide screened porch  
A shelter from the hot suns scorch  
Nighttime is over and the day is new  
Peeking at the grass laden with dew

Birds happily chirping with their songs  
Crows flying around in huge dark throngs  
Banging out many tunes on some old tin cans  
Daydreaming about visits to some faraway lands

Waiting anxiously for a knock on the door  
Someones outside who's never been here before  
Watching the beauty of flowers as they bloom  
Just like the colors of yarn weaved on a loom

Crickets are chirping and lightning bugs glow  
Brightening the earth as the north wind blows  
What touches the heart there really is no end  
May only be a part of day that we can only spend

For some there are many and others there are few  
Take some time out so that you can enjoy them too  
Love was spread around just like a hot wild fire  
The bountiful keepsakes of our many hearts desire

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# Le Lunar

Illumines the dark and starless skies  
With its luminous light that never dies  
A romantic background amongst deep sighs  
Looked upon in awe with the naked eyes

It shivers and shimmers as it glows  
Controls the tides in ebbs and flows  
To the moon gazer what an awesome sight  
Viewed by the astronomer with pure delight  
For others an object of utter sheer fright

A comfort to the lonely highway traveler  
As they journey quietly along their way  
Takes a deep bow for the sun to shine  
Heralding a bright and brand new day

Thought by many to be an old harbinger  
Of the countless changes in our moods  
At times ones acts just like a swinger  
Another time one rather sit and broods

Casts an eerie shadow over all the earth  
Just as sorrow covers the hearts mirth  
One of the universe most vital reasons  
A catalyst for the changing of seasons

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# Life Is Short

Live the life you love  
Love the life you live  
For it is very short  
And can never be bought

Life can be good  
Or it can be bad  
You've gotten many things  
You wish you never had

A really nice house  
Even a very fine car  
Those fancy things in life  
Won't get you very far

Life is for enjoyment  
Live yours to the fullest  
For it is very short  
And can never be bought

Striving for big riches  
Maybe a waste of time  
Make the best of what you have  
While you're still in your prime

You've gotten many things  
You wish you never had  
Life is made for living  
Whether it's happy or sad

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# Lifes Curve Balls

As we go through this journey called life  
We're thrown many curve balls along the way  
We can either catch them or let them fall  
You may run fast, slow or even not at all

The choice is up to you whatever it may be  
Caught unawares you may not see them coming  
Other times you're ready to face the challenges  
The race is not always won by the fastest  
But for the ones who holds out the longest

You may lose your footing but get back on track  
Keep on moving ahead and try to stay focused  
Soon you will find yourself making great strides  
Then you look back to see how far you have come

You then took a deep breath and let out a big sigh  
Yes life may have thrown you some fast curve balls  
It is how you run with life and keep up with its pace  
If you don't life will soon pass you along the way

So whatever your curve balls are in life stay at  
the bat and keep on swinging

You can either:

Miss it or hit it  
Tap it or dodge it

Just keep on playing!

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# Limerick.1/The Well

The Well

I went to the well  
Then in I fell  
Had some water to drink  
Hope I don't sink  
Oh well! Who will tell?

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## Limerick.2/A Curious Cat

Went outside one sunny day  
And behind a tent I hid  
The cat was quite surprise  
By the glare in her eyes  
Then soon sped quickly away!

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## Limerick.3 - My Shadow

It follows me wherever I go  
Believe it cause I told you so  
The only time I get to see it  
Is when the evening sun is lit  
Tis' my shadow this I know

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## Limerick.4 - One Of A Kind

That old hungry crocodile  
Ate our only rooster  
Don't roar like he used to  
Now sings croca-doodle-doo

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# Lost And Found

Love that was lost  
Is filled with pain  
Love that was found  
Has blossomed again

Love that is true  
Is made just for you  
Love that went wrong  
Might hurt all day long

True love will last  
Won't live in the past  
May grow like a tree  
Try to wait and see

Will come back to you  
If you let it go  
Then flourish and grow  
Only you will know

Love that was lost  
Came at a high cost  
Love that was found  
May rise or fall down

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# Love Blind

Heart has felt what the eyes could not see  
Found true love never thought it would be  
A tender whisper that means so very much  
Blinded by love from your gentle touch

The air that I breathe, the light of my life  
You're my midnight turned into a bright day  
Hoping that soon I'll be your loving wife  
Blinded by love but can still find my way

Such a love like ours is sweeter than honey  
Can never be bought with loads of money  
It reaches up to the highest mountain  
Blinded by love as an overflowing fountain

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# Love Is

Love is a many splendored thing  
The joy that a newborn baby can bring  
Love is what makes the world go round  
When two lovers take a stroll downtown

It's better to have loved than not at all  
When love beckons we answer its call  
It can either build up or tear you down  
Love can either save or let you drown

Love is not by chance or a rolling of the dice  
Before you take the plunge you better think twice  
Love is searched for in many a places  
At a bar a club or even at the races

Love is priceless and can never be bought  
Rarely given freely and is always sought  
If the love you seek is so hard to find  
Will it be selfish or a benefit to mankind?

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# Love Potion

Love has cast a spell on me  
Drowning in its deep blue sea  
Mesmerized by a love so true  
Fresh and sweet as the morning dew

True love will last forever  
Will never ever say no  
None can even try to sever  
Only meant to grow and grow

My love for you will never die  
It was made just for you and I  
Our love and trust will always be  
Love has cast a spell on me

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# Love Scorned, Love Forlorned

Love took a long stroll down to the beach  
Is there anybody here that I am able to reach?  
Love then showed her grace with a beautiful smile  
Is there anyone here that would stay with me awhile?

Love then asked a question how much do you love me?  
Someone answered hold on love let me wait and see  
She then began to say my love you know that I am free  
Yes I am priceless and there is no charge to thee

Love then answers with a frown and said that I give up  
I offered my love to you freely even overflowing your cup  
Love can only enter if you open wide the door  
It will not be forced upon you and will leave you as before

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# Love Seesaw

Love is like a seesaw that goes up and down  
Just like the ferris wheel it goes around and around  
Sometimes you maybe happy and at times maybe sad  
You played the game of love and lost everything you had

Love can be unsteady and sometimes topsy-turvy  
Can be bold and beautiful and also kind of nervy  
Here today and gone tomorrow a never ending battle  
Will either make or break you until you start to rattle

Love can either break your heart or tear it all asunder  
Thrown out and cast aside then left outside for plunder  
A seesaw kind of love you see can also be unsteady  
Never go for a ride on love unless you're good and ready

Love can make you a loser and may sometimes let you win  
Whatever it takes to keep it try playing again and again  
When you have had enough tell the love seesaw goodbye  
Give your self sometime to recover and give it another try

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# Memories Long Ago

Memories continue to linger on about days long past  
Peering at many reflections in an old looking glass  
Time can never erase all the love that was shared  
Many hearts were laid open plenty souls were bared

Time it is often said does not wait for any man  
So make the most of it and enjoy whenever you can  
For days long ago will soon be just another memory  
Like the end of a rainbow where eyes could never see

So remember the good times and even the bad times too  
Life will be much better for God will see you through  
Keep looking forward but never forget memories long ago  
A better day is just up ahead for the Bible tells us so

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# Metamorphosis

Found under the eaves or corners of a house  
In a crevice, crack or just out on a wall  
Far out of reach and from the prying eyes  
Safely secured so that it will never fall

Spins a soft and silky weave around itself  
As beautiful as a bride adorned in her dress  
Wrapped in its cocoon till the passing of time  
In order to withstand the cold winters test

When the powdery white snow begins to melt  
Then the first signs of spring is surely felt  
It emerges from its warm and cozy built nest  
So little time to wander or even take a rest

With rainbow of colors splashed on its wings  
Wonders that shows the beauty nature brings  
Flits and flutters in the warm and balmy air  
Alights on colorful flowers without even a care

Its time on this earth seems to be so very short  
Like a tale that is told will soon come to naught  
Transformed from caterpillar to a butterfly free  
If it can change so then why can't you and me

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# More Than You'll Ever Know

Be a shoulder for you to lean on  
Sail across the ocean just for you  
Ever so lonely when you are gone  
Love you more than you'll ever know

All that I've ever hoped for  
A rare jewel I have found in thee  
Like a bird is how our love will soar  
Love you more than you'll ever know

Will be forever and always thine  
Love for you grows more each day  
Say that you'll always be mine  
Love you more than you'll ever know

Two hearts that are woven together  
Will withstand the test of time  
We've come through the stormy weather  
Love you more than you'll ever know

Love that's true will ever be bright  
Like diamond found in a piece of coal  
That's how my love for you will grow  
Love you more than you'll ever know

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# My Best Friend

Rises up at the break of day  
Wags his tail wanting to play  
I open door then he bolts out  
Jumps up, down and all about  
My best friend

Heads on paws when I am sad  
Runs in circles to show he's glad  
Naps nearby when time to unwind  
No better pal anyone can ever find  
My best friend

A good companion when you're all alone  
There with you always when all are gone  
Anxiously awaits in front of the door  
Who could ever ask for anything more  
My best friend

Sniffs out rubble for human remains  
Licks our hands to soothe our pains  
Calms the thoughts of a troubled mind  
Comforts the lonely and leads the blind  
My best friend

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# My Mother, My Friend

You have given so much of yourself and still have more to share  
When others closes their hearts to love you always seem to care  
My mother, my friend how gracious you've shown your love to me  
You give of your heart so freely for all of the world to see

A beautiful rose and petals from a flower, the root of the family tree  
My mother, my friend a gift from God you mean all the world to me  
There is no replacement for the unconditional love of a mother  
When God formed her he broke the mold for there could never be another

You're just like a tiger in a den thats protective of her lair  
The sharing of your countless love shows others that you care  
We sometimes forget that a mother is a blessing from above  
My mother, my friend a deep well of never ending love

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# My Quiet Corner

A quiet corner means to me  
Just sitting under a big oak tree  
Watching the birds in the clear blue sky  
Soaring up high and perching nearby

When gazing to the left of me  
I see a beehive full of sweet honey  
As I look to the right of me  
Waves are forming from a deep blue sea

When looking up toward the sky  
Beholding God's creation with the naked eye  
Then looking down toward the ground  
Oh what beauty that can be found

Look all around you in your quiet corner  
For there is no room for the thoughts of a scorner  
Each of us should have a quiet corner  
With all that surrounds us we never are a loner

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# No Room For Hate

I went to a house and walked up to the gate  
A man came outside and his name was called Hate  
He asked me a question would you like to come in?  
I then thought for a moment hate is no kin

He then wanted to know what do you think of me?  
I said in reply I still have no need of thee  
Hate stood for a moment and began to shake his head  
Maybe I'll try and ask for his soul instead

Then he looked around and winked like a troll  
What would you accept in exchange for your soul?  
I looked at Hate with the blink of an eye  
You'll live in this house until the day you die

Hate said my house is large with lots of room  
I told him where he lives is filled with doom  
He then decided to give up on his quest  
And said I will try to persuade another guest

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# Number One Mother

She is number one  
She is my mother  
My one and only  
Not like any other

A woman of strength  
Just like the lovely rose  
A special gift from God  
You wouldn't dare to oppose

When she was formed  
The mold was broken  
She carried her load  
And not just a token

A woman that's so full of grace  
None can ever take her place  
She is number one  
She is my mother

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# On A Mission

He woke me up this morning  
To see a brand new day  
So grateful for His mercy  
I then knelt down to pray

Food to feed the hungry  
Alms to give to the poor  
A helping hand to someone  
Never to want no more

Shelter for the homeless  
That have no place to go  
A comfort to the lonely  
Say how I love them so

Bestow my earthly goods  
To those who are in need  
Giving of some precious time  
Then sow some nurturing seed

Time that is much well spent  
Is an important part of living  
Show our concern for others  
Seek a chance for our giving

Teaching the love of Jesus  
To those that's eager to learn  
Always going on a mission  
My Angel wings I would earn

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# Peace

Like a needle in a haystack peace in the world is hard to find  
Discord and unrest has taken its toll on most of mankind  
You can close your eyes and your heart or choose to do nothing at all  
Or you may choose the road to make peace and answer its every call

If the part that you play to make peace seems so very small  
Remember it takes one step at a time to gain a mile at all  
So answer to the call of peace when it beckons you to respond  
Then peace will come to all of mankind in an inseparable bond

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# Peer Pressure

You went along with the unruly group just to be a part of the crowd  
Then started walking toward the school and began to yell out loud  
It was time to go to the classroom but you lingered out in the hall  
The bell rang loud for the second time so you responded to its call

Algebra and Social Studies was the first and second of your classes  
In a rush to be with friends you forgot and left without your glasses  
The Teachers taught you all day long and tried to give you their best  
Will want to see what you have learned when time to take their test

School was finally over for the day but you did not want to go home  
You just wanted to hang out with friends and later decided to roam  
Learning began to be a bore so you decided to just skip a class  
No need to stay in school all day don't need Physical Ed to pass

Freedom from peer pressure is your chance for a future that's bright  
Keep your mind on the prize ahead and never let it leave your sight  
Diplomas and certificates will be given out with joy on graduation day  
Awarded to those who studied hard and not those that went just to play

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# Poetry In Motion

Pen, pencil and paper in hand with lots of smooth ink flowing  
Thought and ideas pops up in the mind well worth the knowing  
Then typed or written on paper not always in an orderly fashion  
The making of rhyme and rhythm is one of our greatest passion

Putting these poetry in motion shows proof of the writers art  
In order to make it a worthy write you give it all of your heart  
Poetry is a like a river of water you go along with the flow  
If you're unable to keep the pace you'll get lost in the undertow

It comes in all kind of titles wisdom, peace, love or hate  
Then finally put together so that others may read and relate  
They can encourage, provoke deep thoughts or may be uplifting  
It is solely up to you the reader to do all of the fine sifting

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# Precious Moments

Time waits for no one like the flower that will soon fade away  
Spend some moments with loved ones before the end of the day  
Have a long talk with friends and chat about the good old times  
Pick up a book and read to a child or sing some nursery rhymes

Precious moments just like a vapor will soon begin to disappear  
Days and weeks will be no more then will lead to a brand new year  
The time you have will pass away so visit the ones you hold dear  
Stay in touch with family and friends whether they live far or near

Opportunities passed along the way can not be recovered again  
Relationships torn apart by time will take some care to mend  
Lending an ear to someone and listen to what they might say  
You may be that special person that may touch a life that day

If you're ever given the chance to help take sometime to do your part  
Reap the harvest of love that is sown in a lonely and barren heart  
Save and cherish each precious moment as if it were to be your last  
It too will be just a memory and another thing belonging to the past

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# Rain Dance

The clouds began to turn a steely gray  
It looks like rain as they begun to say  
As the winds tossed them around and about  
A downpour soon without a shadow of a doubt

Pitters and patters heard on top of the roof  
Saturating the dry soil is its only proof  
A life giving nutrient to all living things  
Miraculous wonders that only nature brings

Innumerable droplets to quench the arid earth  
Refreshing the air with unexpected rebirth  
Raindrops dancing as they fell to the ground  
Sweet music to the ears like a soothing sound

Overflowing the oceans, streaming down the mountains  
Replenishing the springs, filling up dry fountains  
Rain dance, rain dance making melodies from above  
A gift to all showing God's abundant mercy and love

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# Reflections

Look in the mirror what do you see?  
A different person or what you used to be  
Some things remain the same others are new  
Changes can be many and some are few

The mirror does not lie it tells you the truth  
If your hair is receding or you're missing a tooth  
Can you tell how old you will live to be?  
Many have tried but have failed you see

Look again in the mirror have you made a change?  
Or are you careful not to step out of your range  
Take another look don't step away too soon  
Past hurts and ill feelings can reopen a wound

Life can't be lived by just casting a net  
Never happened by chance or making a bet  
Throw away the stone let bygones be gone  
Dig a deep hole and bury the old bone

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# Refreshed

Wake up and smell the sweet roses  
Nice aromas wafting up your noses  
Rise up from your slumbering sleep  
Open the door and take a big peep

The sun has risen and shines anew  
Earth renewed from the morning dew  
A day appears just for me and you  
Arise and see another day through

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# Seasons Of Change

Trees begin to bare their limbs as their many leaves are shed  
Chameleons changes color from the tail to the top of their head  
Animals go into hibernation before the first cold winter blast  
So it is with our lives we must never try to live in the past

The sun begins to casts its shadows heralding the close of day  
A flock of birds flies south creating great shapes along the way  
Squirrels scurrying and searching about gathering and storing nuts  
If it wasn't for the seasons of change we would all be stuck in ruts

The wind may blow in any direction north, south, east or west  
When the storms of life has passed all have withstood its test  
Everything must change when it's time to step out their range  
Sow and reap, build up, tear down, this is our season of change

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# Sharing Is Caring

To show you care for someone is to lend a helping hand  
A need to be concerned for every woman, child and man  
Share whatever you can to help someone in need  
Then you will be happier and a better person indeed

When you share with others you unselfishly give of yourself  
Then love is given freely instead of sitting on a shelf  
Hands that are always clenched nothing can ever get out  
Ones that are open and gives is what love is all about

Sharing is caring when given from the heart with pleasure  
The good returns are many and the rewards are without measure  
Goods given freely brings a smile to the needy person  
Holding back when you can give will only continue to worsen

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# Simple Pleasures

Watching all of the sweet smiles on a loved ones face  
Running around the race track and keeping up the pace  
Touching the dew drops glistening on the wet ground  
Going out to dinner then stepping out on the town

Getting together for a picnic in a lush green park  
Laughing and playing many games long after the dark  
Walking barefoot over the soft warm sand at the beach  
Looking up at the stars at night that's too far to reach

Sitting and talking on the porch gazing up at the moon  
Wondering how awesome not wanting to go to bed too soon  
Humming a lively tune or singing a medley of love songs  
Thinking about what went right and not about the wrongs

Tasting sweet honey from a hive freshly made by the bees  
Smelling the fresh aromas emanating from magnolia trees  
Listening to the voice and sounds of every living thing  
Enjoying the many blessings that a brand new day can bring

Remembering the good old times that you and others shared  
Hugging and kissing in showing others how much you cared  
Giving a helping hand to some who show they are in need  
Sitting there with the lonely showing someone a kind deed

Savoring the taste of a succulent and very delightful dish  
Watching a shooting star at night and then making a wish  
Reaching out your hands to others always with a tender touch  
Telling your friends and loved ones how you love them so much

Reading a bedtime story to a young child sitting on your lap  
Getting together with the youth just for a little time to rap  
Wrote a letter then picked up the phone to dial an old friend  
Enjoy the simple pleasures in life for soon it'll come to an end

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# Sleep

When the things of this world seems hard to bear  
Remember there is a God who really cares  
He watches over us as we lie down to sleep  
He knows our every thoughts no matter how deep

The blessings of sleep can only come from above  
As sweet as the sounds of the lovely morning dove  
If you find yourself unable to sleep at night  
Thinking of nothing but fear and fright

Looking in the corners of a dimly lit room  
Thoughts and ideas appears as gloom, gloom, gloom  
When the events of the day seems a bit too much  
A good nights sleep has its own special touch

You got up and paced the floor all night long  
Then read a book, watch TV or even sang a song  
When you have tried everything, just begin to pray  
Thats when He will lead you to the break of day

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# Snowflakes

A chilly blast of air rushes through the trees  
They begin to sway to and fro as if in a trance  
The skies change from clear blue to a misty gray  
Cool air began to rise and then it began to snow

Winter begins to show its magnificent wonders  
As the cold rain turns to brilliant snowflakes  
Gently falls to the ground with sparkling majesty  
Blanketing the earth like a sea of white glass

Falling to the earth twinkling like crystal stars  
Fleeing as the sun peeps out of its hiding place  
Melting each snowflake that's unique in every way  
Just like a shining jewel fading into the sunlight

Then cleanses the earth with a burst of fresh air  
So that the atmosphere will be refreshed and renewed  
To be enjoyed and appreciated by every living thing  
Fell like frozen tears then warmed by the hands of God

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## Sonnet.1/Looking For Love

Where are you oh! my love, oh! my love?  
I have searched every corner every cove  
Have spent my life waiting, anticipating  
Just to get a very first glimpse of you

You're the star that lights up the ebony skies  
The reflection of the moon beams in my eyes  
Oh! my love my love, words can never be enough  
To tell you how much I long to be a part of thee

Finally, at last I have found a love so true  
A love that was only meant just for me and you  
I've looked for love in all the right places  
Your love has solely filled all the empty spaces

You came knocking and gladly I opened the door  
My love, oh! my love, having to search for you no more

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## Sonnet.2/Loves Embrace

The first time I ever saw your face  
Wanting to be always in your embrace  
To gaze upon your beautiful smile  
Longing to stay and talk awhile

Hold your hands and never let it go  
Then tell you how much I love you so  
If I could look deep into your heart  
Search each corner and touch every part

I know someday you might have to leave  
With loves embrace we'll forever cleave  
Like two love birds lets fly far away  
Not at noon nor night, but right now today!

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# South Carolina

Lush green forests and winding trails  
Teeming with wildlife, abundant in quails  
Deep sea fishing over the clear blue waters  
A variety of birds and home building otters

Bridges that spans so high above the oceans  
Withstanding the winds or any kind of motions  
Amusement parks and islands are seen all around  
Many exciting places to stroll out on the town

Watching the golden horizon as the sun goes down  
Listening to the nightingales soothing night sound  
Basking in the sunlight on a warm and sandy beach  
Gazing at blue clouds that's too faraway to reach

Where life is filled with many family and friends  
Possibilities and opportunities that never ends  
This haven called home is where I will want to be  
Forever looming high is the states palmetto tree

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# Sowing The Seeds

Sowing the seeds of forgiveness  
A life that is so full and sweet  
Casting the bread of kindness  
To all that you meet and greet

Spreading great bounties of love  
Showered with great gifts of care  
Basking in the rays of gladness  
A loving heart that's made to share

Showing lots of grace and mercy  
Then lace with a handful of peace  
Reaping the ripe and golden harvest  
Sowing that will never have to cease

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# Spreading The Fire

Spreading of secrets all around town  
Will not build up can only tear down  
Striking of words with such heavy blows  
When someone gets hit everybody knows

Destroys everything that lies in its wakes  
The costs are high whatever the stakes  
Those who practice it always seem to win  
Whatever the reason gossip is still a sin

Can be very deadly no good it ever is  
No respecter of gender not a hers nor a his  
Stay far away and keep it out of your lives  
With no fuel in the fire gossip never thrives

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# Stay In School

When all the children left for school  
They went to learn the Golden Rule  
Reading, writing and arithmetic  
Studying hard to make things stick

The clock struck twelve it was time for lunch  
Some played alone others went with the bunch  
They could swing, run or ride on the pulley  
There was no time left to act like the bully

Waiting for your turn to slide was the best of all  
Anyone could go on it whether they were short or tall  
Recess was now over it was time to go back to class  
Listen to the teacher or you won't be able to pass

The children began to squirm as the day was about to end  
Thoughts about home sweet home was just around the bend  
Then came the days of summer and time for a carefree break  
Stay in school whatever the cost your education is at stake

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# Stepping Stones

As you start your journey and begin to cross the dale  
Be like the wise old owl and master every trail  
The path might be rough and the going may be tough  
Keep on crossing the stones until you've had enough

The road can be very long and you may begin to think  
Some stones are not so steady and others may begin to sink  
So hang on in there and stay right on your course  
A strong will for survival is your only source

Accept failure as your lesson and continue down the road  
The further you decide to travel the lighter will be the load  
Success will soon appear as you come to the end of the line  
Then you will look to the future and say victory is all mine

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# Sunrise And Sunset

When I awake in the morning and see the sunrise  
My heart skips a beat as I begin to clear my eyes  
My soul says what a mighty God I serve  
To be in the land of the living and to feel every nerve

You can imagine the beauty in everything you see  
To smell the odor of the sap flowing from a tree  
When the sun goes down and the darkness comes soon  
The whole world is lit by the light of the moon

When all is said and all is done  
To see the day pass and the setting of the sun  
As I go deep into the realms of sleep  
I know that my God will watch and keep

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# Tale Of An Unforgiving Heart

Plunged into the darkness of a very deep hole  
Then left into the harshness of the freezing cold  
Unable to break away from this mighty power  
Bound beneath the shadows of its massive tower

Where one is unable to see the bright sunlight  
Not enjoying a good sleep when day turns to night  
Burdened down by the heavy thoughts of the day  
Forever at a lost for something kind to say

Gripped by the pangs of being unable to forgive  
Lost in the ability to enjoy the life you live  
Singing of many songs that is wrought with sorrow  
No good thoughts of the day nor of tomorrow

Pray your way to forgiveness as fast as you can  
Life is to enjoy and is a gift to every man  
You will then destroy it and bring it to an end  
Will not enter in until the door is open again

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# Tear Drops

Into each of our lives a little tear must fall  
This is a gift from God that is common to all  
It cleanses the wounds of the troubled soul  
When the burdens of life has taken its toll

If you have never had to shed a single tear  
Then the beating heart will be hard to bear  
The troubles of life brings on constant care  
Remember theres a God who is always near

If problems have never entered into your life  
That sears the heart and cuts like a knife  
If you never had any tear drops to shed  
Tears may fall in the days that lies ahead

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# The Chosen Few

There are those special people that rises to the occasion  
Others that persevere and some that need no persuasion  
Refusing to look the other way when troubles start to loom  
Remaining positive always when some others only think of doom

Won't ever turn down a challenge when the opportunity arises  
Sure to stand out from the crowd without the use of any guises  
The ability to withstand the storms on dark and gloomy days  
Never giving in to adversity no matter what anybody does or says

Remains ever on the battle fields of life just to win their war  
Always fighting for a worthy cause no matter how near or far  
They are those silent heroes who've fought unknown by me or you  
May not be on the front lines but still they are the chosen few

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# The Discarded Tree

A bare Christmas tree stands all alone  
Decorations and presents all are gone  
That joyous time a thing of the past  
The gift of Jesus will sure to last

Was a beautiful sight for all to see  
Bought together friends and family  
Lots of food and bounties of cheers  
Family tradition down through the years

Now lies discarded at the bottom of the heap  
Tossed into the ocean sinks down to the deep  
Haven for corals, sea mammals and fishes  
Floating listlessly no more santas wishes

Once stood tall the center of attention  
So wonderful a thing that all could mention  
The greatest story has already been told  
God sent us a Saviour that'll never grow old

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# The Earth Sings

The clouds bursting forth with their cascading rain  
Fields overflowing with the harvest of golden grain

The shimmering sun radiantly showing all of its glory  
Mountains raising their voices just to tell their story

A moon that shines ever lighting up the darkness of night  
Stars twinkling with brilliance oh! what a beautiful sight

Thunders clapping their hands aloud beholding with such glee  
Lightning striking up in the air with a sound of sweet melody

Wonders of the universe breaking out with songs of love  
Earths beauty and magnificence are heard coming from above

The rainbow flashing with colors across the misty blue skies  
Just like music to the ears and with sounds that never dies

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# The Eyes (Ayes) Have It

The eyes are the windows of the very soul  
Hiding tales of the many stories untold  
Can tell if someone is maybe happy or sad  
When a person is feeling either good or bad

Will gaze at a bright and star filled night  
Looks at the rising sun with pure delight  
Watches the ocean and ebbing of the tide  
Adoring a loved one sitting by your side

In all shades of color just like the rainbow  
Created to behold all things just as we know  
Can casts caring glances at a playing child  
Gazing at them lovingly with a sweet smile

Seen many houses and buildings quickly leveled  
Stared at many places that was quite disheveled  
Seeking for human remains in a city ravaged by war  
Searching for precious life in a badly burnt car

Yet there is still hope for all of our eyes to see  
A flag that's flown and stands for all that are free  
Still longing to see a world full of love and peace  
The eyes(ayes) will have it never wanting to cease

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# The Family Tree

A tiny seed is sown with care into the fertile ground  
Then a small tree pops out slowly from its earthly mound  
With care it is nurtured by the life giving soil and air  
The branches then began to reach as if to someone near

Its roots can grow and flourish as far as the eyes can see  
Just like the many members that makes up the family tree  
The leaves are like the children that's born of mothers and fathers  
The tree may be hewed down but root remains in sons and daughters

The mighty trunk of the tree is what keeps its limbs together  
A family should remain steadfast in any kind of weather  
Is your family like the one that can't withstand the storm?  
Or is it one that doesn't care to be within the norm?

Everyone who lives on earth is born with a family tree  
We have no choice in the matter it's part of our history  
A tree can grow to unknown heights as if to touch the sky  
The family tree will always flourish whether we live or die

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# The Fiery Tongue

Who can quench the tongue in its fiery flame  
That member of the body known only by its name  
Not easily subdued nor always able to tame  
Stirs up strife and stays ahead of the game

It sets the heart aflame, oh! so many time  
Stirs up the emotions at the drop of a dime  
Known to be the cause of many a great fall  
Words spoken are sometimes as bitter as gall

A part of the body that can either wound or heal  
Can speak cruel words of hate or of love so real  
Will build up high and can also tear down  
Speak words that can save or either let drown

The words that are spoken can do harm or good  
Its lies and deceits is not always understood  
A tongue can be tamed whether you believe it or not  
Put out its burning fire and give it all you got

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# The Greatest Gift

A wonderful Saviour was born in a manger  
To all that knew Him, He was no stranger  
He gave His life so that we all might live  
To love and cherish and also to forgive

A special gift from God sent to you and me  
One that is not found under the Christmas tree  
Came down to earth so that we all could be free  
An unwrapped present placed for all of us to see

Many showers of blessings and joy to another  
Love for each other like those from a mother  
Be like an Angel to someone that's in need  
Food for the hungry or some other kind deed

Remembering the happy times of Christmas past  
The fondest of days that seemed to last and last  
Spending times with family and old friends too  
Sent down from Heaven just to be with me and you

So have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year  
As you go along your way spreading lots of cheer  
Many special blessings sent to each and every one  
The greatest gift given to all was in His only Son

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# The Homeless

Treading the highways and byways seemingly without a care  
Walking about the streets alone nobody knows you're there  
Pushing a cart so laden with all of their earthly goods  
Sleeping under a bridge at night or camping out in the woods

When you come into their presence all you can do is just stare  
They return the look that shows only emptiness is lurking there  
If only something you could say but you're caught at a lost for words  
Remember God watches over them the same as He does for the birds

Even the homeless have a place to lay down their weary heads  
They pile their clothes up so high just to build makeshift beds  
Catching water from a leaky faucet just to get a cool drink  
Survival is a constant struggle always living life on the brink

They also have a circle of friends and gather together as a group  
Sometimes food is plentiful and at times just a cup of soup  
They will always be a part of society that's called the human race  
Lets not look at the outside but on the inside that is full of grace

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# The Human Chain

We were all born not just merely to exist  
But to be an important link to humanity  
Some obstacles in life can be quite difficult  
There are links in the chain that are weak

When the chain is broken somethings are lost  
The substance of the chain is lacking in power  
Then the enemy finds a way to get a foothold  
To survive this we must all forever hold fast

For in much unity there is great strength  
The human condition will always be with us  
It is only sustained by our perseverance  
Our universe is powerful yet is still fragile

We all have a part to play in it for its survival  
A chain that is unbroken is a very formidable foe  
Everyone of us are unique in each and every way  
Still becoming united as one will happen one day

Great things will happen when all can come together  
Will bind us tightly when we began to love one another  
Strong links are vital in the creation of this human chain  
Linking back together will also help strengthen us again

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# The Journey Home

As I traveled along the way  
Met an Angel who began to say  
Take my hand and follow me  
Where I go you shall be free

I went and left it all behind  
Saying goodbye to all mankind  
Heaven's my home is where I'll be  
A beautiful place it is to see

No more pain and no more sorrow  
Never have to worry about tomorrow  
Be happy always and rejoice with me  
I've gone to live with Him eternally

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# The Porch

As I rock back and forth in my chair with ease  
The trees began to sway with the sweet Summer breeze  
Just thinking about what could have been  
Deep thoughts of the things hidden deep within

I begin to ponder the events of the past  
Ever so long ago they never seem to last  
Memories of things past are only for a season  
Whatever the problem theres always a reason

I stopped rocking a while and began to think  
Life is for living, humanity is but a link  
Your favorite hobby maybe reading, walking or fishing  
Whatever your reason maybe for living  
Enjoy what you can it is better than wishing

The earth and its wonders are created to enjoy  
To love and cherish and not to destroy  
As the day began to fade and my rocking cease  
Will the world continue to exist if there is no peace?

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# The Roads Of Life

As we travel back and forth down the paths of life  
Sometimes we wonder if we're going to meet with strife  
Always asking the question whats around the corner?  
Just keep on moving and quit acting like a mourner

Why waste time trying to figure things out  
Walk by your faith without a shadow of a doubt  
The paths of life seems long and dreary  
Roads can be tough so never grow weary

For we are all a part of this walk together  
Lets flock together like birds of a feather  
Wherever our path leads us lets make the best of it  
It's better to keep going than just to say I quit

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# The Valley Of Despair

Lost and trapped in the valley of nothing but despair  
Hands held high for help and grasping nothing but air  
Alone and much abandoned no one knows you're there  
All have turned their backs and none seems to care

You can choose to stay down and wallow in your sorrow  
Or speak words that says there is always a tomorrow  
Then you will see the sunshine on a bright new day  
Rise up from the valley no matter what they say

When others try their best to keep you burdened down  
Rise high above their heads with a smile and not a frown  
The life that you want to live is solely up to you  
So get up shake off the dust and start your life anew

Despair like a vine can creep back into your life again  
Loosen its hold and see the sunshine and not the rain  
If you know of someone else whose back is to the ground  
Take their hands and lift them up for you was also down

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# Then Comes The Night

When the the sun goes down and the day is done  
Some battles are lost and others have been won  
The toils of the day has gotten the best of you  
Ready for another chance to start your life anew

Night is getting closer you can hardly see the light  
Troubles were many so you gave it all your might  
Hoping to make it through the long and lonely night  
Things look dark and dreary but soon will be all right

The stars light up the night and twinkled in the skies  
Sleep crept up slowly with lots of blinking of the eyes  
You tossed and turned all night then got up out of bed  
Filled with the worries of just what might lie up ahead

You went and got back into bed and finally went to sleep  
Then slept until daylight and opened the shutters to peep  
Overcome with great joy that you made it through the night  
A good nights sleep is a blessing and more than just a fight

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# Top Of The Mountain

You came upon a mountain that seemed so hard to climb  
To undertake a task so great will really take some time  
As you held your head up high peering up to the top  
Your heart began to race and your courage started to drop

I need some time to think you said and then you began to ponder  
That mountain that I started to climb is very high up yonder  
Get to the top of the mountain by taking one step at a time  
No need be in a hurry since you did not commit a crime

Take a deep breath with all your might and start to move ahead  
Success in life is up to you no matter what others have said  
Continue to climb that mountain until the top looms near  
It takes a strong will for survival and also many a tear

Every inch was a struggle many heartaches along the way  
The time it took to reach the top did not happen all in a day  
You finally achieved the goal in life that you always wanted to do  
Others might help you along the way but the rest is up to you

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# Tribute To The Men And Women In Blue

Patrolling the streets every night and day  
Protecting our livelihood come whatever may  
Flying an airplane or even riding in a boat  
Throwing a life jacket to keep someone afloat

Sirens can be heard ringing loud and clear  
Everybody knows that a fire is burning near  
Climbing a ladder to put out the fiery flames  
Searching the buildings and calling out names

Responding to calls with all of your might  
Walkie Talkies never leaving your sight  
Safeguarding our homes and our loved ones too  
All hail to the brave men and women in blue

Tireless and unwavering in all that you do  
Worthy of your calling and lots of honor too  
Leaving your loved ones in the time of trouble  
When disaster strikes sifting through the rubble

To all the great men and women in blue  
Words can never express our love for you  
So very tried and true many thanks to all  
Responding to our needs and to our every call

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# Truly Amazing

Bright sunshine rises heralding a brand new day  
Dew drops glistening on a bed of grass they lay  
A cool breeze flows as it drifts through the air  
Leaves dancing and floating with lots of flair

As the time passes by there's a calm and quiet hush  
Birds nesting and preening in the thick underbrush  
A solitary blackbird is peeking down from its perch  
Animals resting quietly until their nightly search

The grass begins to wither under the searing heat  
Scorching sun bears down on a field of golden wheat  
Nature has its own reminders when it's time to change  
Like an old fashion tune that's played outside its range

Planet earth continues to revolve just as we so believe  
Then the sun begins to set in her familiar place at eve  
Closing its brilliant curtains as it slowly takes a bow  
Always called it home then as we continue to call it now

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# Twin Cinquains - Birds/Animals

## BIRDS

Wise as an owl

Humble as the dove

Graceful as an eagle

Swift like the sparrow

## ANIMALS

Bold as a lion

Fast like the cougar

Ferocious as a bear

Cunning as the hyena

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# Under One Roof

A good neighbor way back when  
Wasn't so very hard to find  
They shone like a rare jewel  
And was only one of a kind  
Gathered together as a family  
Were united in love and peace  
Sat and sung under an old oak tree  
Laughter never seeming to cease  
Some gave freely of their bounty  
What their Father had to bestow  
Shared what was in their garden  
Whatever they were able to grow  
Life wasn't always a bed of roses  
Was sometimes up and at times down  
Had no time to look down their noses  
Lived only where love and peace abound  
When time of heartaches and sorrow nears  
Bowing of heads and shedding of tears  
Bounded together as if under one roof  
In a bond of love was their only proof

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# Walk By Faith

As you begin your journey  
To start a brand new day  
Thoughts of what might happen  
You continued on your way  
Walk by faith

Got in your car  
Then began to think  
Started to ponder  
What lies up yonder  
Walk by faith

Went for a short ride  
Just to clear your head  
Stopped at the red light  
Mind filled with dread  
Walk by faith

You got out the car  
Then shut the door  
Breathed a sigh of relief  
That's what faith is for  
Walk by faith

Got home safe and sound  
Sat and relaxed for awhile  
You started to look around  
Then thought with a smile  
Walk by faith

Where is your faith?  
Then thou saith  
I walk by faith  
I walk by faith

'Walk by Faith'

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# Wildlife Night

Hunter at night and a sleeper by day  
A lonely coyote pounces on its prey  
An old gray bat is zooming all around  
Some sly foxes going out on the town

Hyenas laughing and fighting for the dead  
Animals scurrying eyes filled with dread  
A ferocious tiger goes out on the prowl  
Sounds are echoing from a screeching owl

Lions roar cause they're king of the jungle  
Catching their food is without any bungle  
Noisy baboons hung freely from the trees  
Disturbing the hives of sweet honeybees

Night is the time for some wildlife flings  
Songs breaks forth as the cuckoo bird sings  
A wide eyed cougar searching for its catch  
Crossed path with a bear and met its match

Leopards sleeping or basking out in the sun  
Waiting for the chance to make the nights run  
A pumas large glaring eyes lights up the dark  
Searching and crouching then leaps on its mark

Wildcats anxiously stalking some weary deers  
Celebrating their catch without any kind of fears  
A pack of hungry wolves hovering over their kill  
Beware of dangers for night life is never still

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# Will You Love Me Then?

Will you still love me when I grow old  
When life's problems have taken their toll  
With secrets uncovered and tales unfold  
From this day forward to have and to hold

We cannot tell how our life is going to be  
Some things that are hidden from you and me  
Bound together by love and tied like a knot  
Two perfect individuals is what we are not

I'll still see your shadow when eyes grow dim  
Feel your tender touch at each and every whim  
Basking in the warmth of your gentle embrace  
Loving you ever none can never take your place

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# Wind Song

As the waves violently crashed against the white seashore  
An invisible but quite ferocious wind still blows forever more  
Its mighty power rises up and stretches like a rushing wonder  
She held back her reckless visage then only seemed to ponder

Mariners, boaters and fishermen alike all brave that stormy sea  
From the north, south, east and west or wither the gusty winds be  
Relentless winds that never cease is out of the seafarers control  
Caught in its fearsome currents may God have mercy on their soul

Seagulls soaring high up above searching the deep sea for fish  
Winds whistling their woeful tunes as if they're making a wish  
Its forces begins to diminish then the water becomes calm again  
Wistful songs will always be heard but no one will ever know when

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# Without A Trace

You went away without a trace  
If I could only again see your face  
Looked for you at every corner  
Grieved for you just like a mourner  
I saw you in the stars up above  
Twinkling in the sky, just like my love  
Saw you in the waves over a stormy sea  
Sitting alone under the weeping willow tree  
Fleeting thoughts of you always came to mind  
Searching for a jewel that's so hard to find  
Walking down a dark and lonely narrow street  
Saw some faceless strangers that I happen to meet  
You went away without a trace  
The fear of never having to see you once again  
Bought a ticket and got on the morning train  
I went to visit a place where we always met  
A special place we shared I could never forget  
You went away without a trace  
It finally came to a stop that was my destination  
I began to feel a tingling and a sweet sensation  
A warm and tender feeling raced up and down my spine  
You ran towards my open arms and was forever mine

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# Words Spoken

Kind words spoken is like health to the dry bones  
If given with love and cheer and not with undertones  
Like a cool drink of water that refreshes the arid soul  
Bubbling up like a fountain filling the top of the bowl

Given freely from the heart without any kind of measure  
Worth more than gold and silver or whatever the treasure  
Brings a cheery countenance that lights one up with a smile  
Not ever given with deceit nor meant with any kind of guile

As you go along your journey try spreading a word of cheer  
Per chance might be an Angel that was sent to meet you there  
When you're at your lowest point and you feel so all alone  
An Angel will appear to you sent down from Heavens throne

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