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# A Happy New Year! 2012

Another number becomes history soon. A little change in the digits is that all? To make a heap of happenings doom, In the pool of past, only to recall? Every time this happens as it should, The counting starts and stops at a dozen, A part of the sociological cycle, ever since childhood; Yet the mortal pains of letting go, goes on. Habits I guess are the worst of addictions, We love to see the new, but holding on To the last few residues of an yesterday, Just as we count the last seven days of December, And the final countdown to midnight of the 31sst day. It comes but to go, only that we realize What has been gone by the change of just a calendar.

# Am I Doing Fine?

Life was fine, good enough to make me smile and laugh guite often... I was soaring high, dreams, ambitions, aspirations My heart full of positivity My body at the peak of youthfulness Undaunted spirit of love, Of affirmation, I was open To whatever came across me It seemed, I was floating in a Sea of opportunities... All so promising of success Few, I thought over, others Just fitted into my life Without even letting me know The deep effect they will draw Years passed by, in a blink I had to stop at a crossroad Which life directed me to Looking back, I was shocked How drastically everything changed People, places, and myself! ! Some faded away, some stayed as innate frames The spotlight shifted to a new angle What made up my thoughts then Hardly did make any sense now It's difficult to account for What I lost and what I gained But one thing is sure, my path Took a turn, slowly and today I reached a place unfamiliar to My dreams I don't know if this is quite the Road meant for me But something bothers me here Why do I laugh so less, smile so little Cry so often, sigh at everything! Is there another path, from here Which can take me to there Where I can say, ' don't worry I am doing fine'!

### Death

Death, a definite part of life, A journey started has to end We all know this yet we sigh At the very thought of the final goodbye... I saw it today, closely enough, Not how the living turns dead But how a name becomes just A body, at the mercy of some mourning mob! Life, gives no way to alterations Moments simply slip into memories, There is only but a today, Yesterdays never comeback And tomorrow will never stay. I saw the darker truth, Absence of someone dear With whom a world we share, Is a bitter blow than a deathly fear. No way to skip the pain Of parting away with the ones we love, If we rejoiced the birth in pride, We got to greet destiny's dark side It takes a few rushing tick tocks To cross the mortal line of life and death, Turning now "he is" to now "no more".

# Delusion

"Reach out for the stars, " A mother kissed the brow, And blessed her mortal star ... He looked up high, the beautiful sky, The mirage of a child's pristine innocence. Riding a phantom of hope, A 'lochinvar' went on the vow Higher and higher, undaunted dreams The stars were nearer, a couple of leaps Mother' never let u down, He promised, ... son of the speed. Stars they are only in a poets world, Poor lochinvar, trapped in the myth Shattered his pride and lost his crown, To the mighty feats of burning gasses. "Oh mother' why not the grass? Instead of the deluding stars? " A mother kissed the brow, And blessed the soul of her lochinvar'.

# For The Sake Of Love

Let me love, for the sake of love... So what, If I have fallen down, My poor heart has dealt with bitter blows Of harsh reality, demons of fate... But hail adieu, and I soar up.. Propensity of destiny, to seek the love That would quench a thirsty heart! The searing pains, of broken dreams Tearful nights and fading hopes Can simply never be a reason To forbid the heart of what it craves A piece of mortal, body mind and soul, Let me love, for the sake of love!

# Incomplete

I lie down on my bed, Staring at p.o.p niches overhead, They could have been better, I often think, nah! Lot of redoing, Let it be this way.... Another morning will show, Today will turn tomorrow soon. The question seems unchanged, What next? I don't know! The mellowed white of my walls Has lost the plastic sheen, Watermarks of fingers and palms, Scratches and some weathered paint. This time should I color it deep? Looking good or easy to maintain.....Confused I turn myself, only to Confront the my heart again; What next? I don't know Let it be as things are, Till another tomorrow show. My room has lost the glow., It needs a retouch or a lift, But where to start, how to begin; They all are bits of the whole.. What next? I dnt know

#### Let Me Ask You

If I am lost will you look for me? If I fall, will you hold me up? If I cry, will you be there... To wipe off my tears? If I don't find a reason.. To turn my lips into a smile? Will you be there? To make me laugh.. And lit my eyes with yours? If I sigh, will you lend your Broad shoulders, for few moments Look at me deep inside And say " yes u can"? If I quit and bid goodbye, Will u stay, and raise your hand Say u love me and make me live?

#### Love

Was it love that I felt years back? I often ask myself, in solemn thoughts The sweet did I taste it all Is it all over, left to the bitter truths? No answer, or may be I am not yet Done with it to call it off; All my tiny pleasures of a girls heart, haven't but grown out of love, I crave a little of you soft and warm I still so want bits of some more. Don't you withdraw, neither my heart We still have a lot more to the shore; I crib, I cry, I fight only to try Bring back the missing parts of a sweet pain We stood through the seasons along In the scorching summer and the pouring rains Let not the autumn take away all, There is still a green leaf on a twig, I want the spring to adorn our hearts. The creepy winters will die away soon, Love 'lets hold our hands, tight and strong Because we are yet to dance in spring along.....

# Love And Pain

Why does love come with clauses and why does it walk towards pain? Stages of life, one after other. Faces change, feelings change Places change, we move on adopting the new, the change! Only one thing doesn't..... We can't but be always in love And each time we love too much... Every time we realize that we love.... There we r greeted by pain.... The fear of a loss creeps into us And there comes a time when we Actually have to let go.... Sigh! Cry! Dry! But the heart goes on In search of another reason to love! !

#### Memory Lane

One night, when my window panes, Were blurred with the monsoon rains; I took a stroll, myself all alone. Down the solitaire memory lane. A path, it is, twisting here and then; Up and down, winding in joy and pain. Here I see moments of happy days, From a child to a girl dozing in fun and play. There hung few annoying frames, Of what I would love to repaint. Landmarks of my life stand tall, At every crossroad of what I recall Suddenly, here I find a little alley, Darting out of the often-tread Streets of my memory valley; I dared to step into it, dark and new My bare feet hurting, as I walked through. Lots of broken pieces of my heart Made up the ridged stony path. No nostalgia' flowers blossomed here, The air was filled with clouds of tears.

I moved slowly, taking a heed, I rather not dither my heart, than feet! At a lonely corner of the grey street, Within a mist of psychotropic sheet, I spotted a dirt-adorned grotesque chest; Should I open it, should I not? At last myself, temptations hardly could resist With screeches, cackles, and clutters, The lid opens up in distress.... I found some ashes of my dreams, Two champagne glasses, 1 with a crimson rim. A ditty of a lovestory, some torn pages, Of a hardbound book I read half way; Few pieces of deluded kisses, Scattered beads of unstrung promises. Damp and wet feelings incessantly,

Fumed out from the chambers of the alley; I closed my eyes, better not stoke the fire, Let it stay in the solemn mares. Locked inside the casket of pain, Let me walk away this memory lane.

#### Metamorphosis

It was time, life gestured To pause and hold; Unwind and inhale a deep Restoring breath .... It was time, to pull back interweave the without and within In threads of realizations. It was time, to descend, From flights of aspirations To the roots of earth, And weave a cocoon... It was time, to abound My random scattered thoughts, Gather them carefully Picking the right, discarding the waste Entwine each in steady knots Savoring my self In a chrysalis. It was time, my heart called; The soul seeks a nest, The mind demands rest, A change awaits the time From a creature to an aerial. An illuminated darkness, Stimulates a waiting unknown, To reveal the magic grown Inside a cocooned soul. It was time, a phenomenon Occurred..... Metamorphosis!

# Solitude

I saw just a glimpse of him, Dark and handsome, noble as a king;

I saw, just a glimpse of him, Behind a window with tinted film;

His eyes spoke of a promise, Deeper than a lusting kiss.

I saw, just a glimpse of him Like a fragment of a surreal dream;

I whispered softly, 'what is thy name'? And he signed it on the window pane,

I drew out a mirror, to reveal the truth, His name spelled out as 'SOLITUDE'

# Spaces

I was deep asleep, courtesy a tiny pill. When in my dream, I could feel. A voice, I thought you called me amidst the night; I turned around to hold you tight.... But something stopped me, between us. Few inches away you lay aside, but the spaces. Of a dreadful night drew me apart. You hurt me once, and you hurt me twice.. You hurt me again, so much to break a heart. My breath paced up, eyes wide open I heard you breathe, just next to me, Like you used to, those nights when I cuddled into Your arm, after every dream. Something between us today stops me.. I dare not try to unveil, reality pains I turn around to the empty walls.. And close my eyes, till the dark to end.

## The Big-Little Girl

There was little girl, With a sparkle in her eyes, And joy in her soul .. She grew up like the rest of them Played with the surf and the sand, the mud in her hand Washed away as she grew The curl of her lips And the lines of her palms Took her on a ride through life; There is a big little girl, With the sparkle in her eyes And the sun in her smile, The shine of her porcelain tooth She is the little girl again The lines of her palms Have travelled to her brow, Freedom in her heart and Truth in her being, she shines Just like a young maiden... She drank it all till the lees Now she's the lover she thrived to be Unbound, untied, fearless she All for love, a dreamer lives.....

#### The Breaking Of 'We'

Only a few true words, Coming straight from the heart, Could do wonders unsought, But only if they were what my heart Yearns for ... ah those blissful words.

All that were so much a part, Of my dreams, naïve and true With the dawn, it tore apart A nightmare, which strongly grew Like a cactus amidst a deserted heart.

Oh, , the truth of life, Love, a beautiful sinister thing. Lost its charm and beauty Yesterday seems to die within, Unto a darkness unfathomed.

Two souls suddenly face themselves, With a lost truth of the yesteryears; Suffering a deep pain of helplessness Sinking down in a vortex of alien fears, Left, only with a despairing cry to reverse.

The WE' split into a hateful two, Minds working as 'ME' and 'YOU' The eyes those who bewitched a spell, Were blind in the shattering truth, I died within, with my heartache's knell.

Oh, how much I wished, How desperately I gasped, To survive the tides of emotions, But only, a few true words If they only meant, may be a healing potion.

# The Tin Box

We started off, together sharing a name; Nothing with us but each others faith Our wallets were empty, but hearts full Of dreams and hopes, promises and life We had no bank accounts then But just a box, which we filled with our little savings earned... It was more dan just the few coins And assorted rupee notes... Each time we opened the lid, our eyes sparkled and our spirits high! WE US OURS.. Was what we saw And life went on... Now things have changed Our wallets are separate, adorned with various plastic cards! Fat files to maintain our bills But I miss the small little box... I miss, the sparkle, the joy, the elated hearts! !! Money can never bring joy! Money can never bring peace!