

Poetry Series

**Starfish Starfish**  
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# A Fickle Heart

Move on as fast as you can  
He doesn't love you, he doesn't need you  
He is a man with a fickle heart  
He will never know how much he's hurt you  
Stubborn silence destroys your mind  
He has taken from you a trust never deserved

Don't lash out, don't fall down  
He does not deserve you, he has a fickle heart

Finding your safe place  
Is going to be tough, he's replaced you  
He is a man with a fickle heart  
Always looking for someone better  
Feigned innocence in what he has done  
Love like a thorn ripped from your heart

Don't lash out, don't fall down  
He does not deserve you, he has a fickle heart

Peace is all you dream off  
Something which he decided to shatter  
He is a man with a fickle heart  
Pray for the hands of time to heal the pain  
Too proud for an apology  
He has turned your world upside down

Don't lash out, don't fall down  
He does not deserve you, he has a fickle heart

Move on heartache lesson learned  
He will do it again to another innocent better one  
Because he is a man with a fickle heart  
Don't wait for his apology or reason  
Vanity his only quest  
Set yourself free from this burden

Don't lash out, don't fall down  
He does not deserve you, he has a fickle heart

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# Blink

I blink to stop the tears from falling  
But I wish it would shut out the pain  
How can you blame me, for us ending this way  
When you gave up on me, and the dreams we had

We loved from the first time we met  
It was like we found our soulmate  
Long walks in boundless beauty  
Endless sharing of our life's hurts  
Was I just a rebound, for you heart to heal  
Years of waiting for you to be free  
Never questioning why I was your secret  
Finally a quest for commitment  
And you drove me away from you  
A cold and uncaring person replaces you

I blink to stop the tears from falling  
You've shut the door to our love  
How can you say I failed you, walked out of your life?  
When I never left you, life drove us apart

Don't you understand I never left you?  
This curveball just another challenge,  
to keep us together and strong  
But you chose to find another  
With no explanation or reason to me  
What happened to what we felt  
What happened to the depth of our love  
It all seems so empty now,  
as you've turned my life inside out  
An unresponsive person, replaces you

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# Cherish

Cherish

Cherishing You, holding You near  
All of my days, I speak of Your Love  
I lift up Your Name and I soar to the Highest Place  
A Soul searching You, A Soul finding You  
Cherishing You, holding You near

Blest by You, humbled at Your feet  
All of my nights, I am watched over by You  
I close my eyes, my heart trusting in You  
A love hungry heart, A love found in You  
Blest by You, humbled at Your feet

Honouring You, amazed by Your Grace  
My eyes open, seeking the Glory of Your face  
Gentle light along my life's path  
safely guiding me, bringing me home  
Honouring You, amazed by Your Grace

Cherishing You, holding You near  
Blest by You, humbled at Your feet  
Honouring You, amazed by Your Grace  
Holding You near  
Blest by You, humbled at Your feet  
Honouring You, amazed by Your Grace  
Cherishing You, Cherishing You, Cherishing You

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# Couldn'T You Just Pretend

I woke looking at you

Tears filled my eyes

This the last time

I'd wake beside you

Couldn't you just pretend

Couldn't you make believe

Couldn't you only try

Couldn't you love me too

I want to touch you

And hold you close

Need to feel you love me

As you did before

Couldn't you just pretend

Couldn't you make believe

Couldn't you only try

Couldn't you love me too

Silently not to wake you

I left your side

I couldn't bear you

To see me cry again

You reached out for me

Softly saying my name

Pulled me towards you

And wiped away my tears

Couldn't you just pretend

Couldn't you make believe

Couldn't you only try

Couldn't you love me too

The look in your eyes

Told me what I feared

My last hopes gone

As I turned towards the door

Couldn't you just pretend

Couldn't you make believe

Couldn't you only try

Couldn't you love me too

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# Does It Really Matter

Does it really matter  
How I feel tonight  
You don't even care  
No thought, no thought  
Of me at all

Has someone hurt you  
Like you hurt me  
Does it really matter  
Matter at all

Do I have a chance  
To hold you in my arms  
Because I really care  
It's alright, its alright  
I really care

I won't hurt you  
I cannot hurt you  
It does really matter  
It matters to me

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# Final

The final word on my heart is goodbye  
No more tears, no more lies, no more waiting  
All these years I've had you in my heart  
As my soul mate, my first love

I can never love someone like you  
I can never trust someone like you  
I can never respect someone like you  
I can never believe in someone like you

The final thoughts in my mind  
Is disappointment in the person you've become  
The lies you tell and lies you believe  
The hurt you bring in just your presence

I can never love someone like you  
I can never trust someone like you  
I can never respect someone like you  
I can never believe in someone like you

The final prayer on my lips  
Is for you to know your action  
And how they impact others' lives  
God will protect me; I know He will

I can never love someone like you  
I can never trust someone like you  
I can never respect someone like you  
I can never believe in someone like you

The final walk down this path  
Is away from you as fast as I can  
To find my peace and sanity  
Which you stole with your poison words

I can never love someone like you  
I can never trust someone like you  
I can never respect someone like you  
I can never believe in someone like you

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# Fragrance Of A Rose

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.' (Isaiah 40 :)

Beautiful rose, soft petals, radiant colour and a fragrance to tickle my senses. I hold the rose against my cheek and delight in the closeness of the beautiful creation of God. This is probably more or less the same feeling that I have when I think of our Father's hand on my life, His dwelling in my heart and His outrageous Grace.

I know that the sense of the flower in reality has been something that has been void of my life for some time. But even through these times of lack, I could close my eyes and take my mind back to the pleasurable memories of when I had them in my hands, and face buried in them.

Even though their petals turn a different shade and dropp off, and we so easily toss them into the rubbish bin, we forget that these flowers create a beautiful memory, an awesome experience of being in tune with His finest creation. Picking up a dried petal, the fragrance lingers and fills our hearts and minds with renewed joy and familiarity of the beauty it still holds.

This is how our faith should be, our relationship with the One who breathed life in us. At thoughts of Him, we should be gasping at the beauty of His gift and grace, and even in rough times, we should hold onto the gentle fragrance of His undying love. We should thirst after Him and seek to keep our hearts beating to the whispers of His promise. A Promise as His Word, remains unchanged for you and me.

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# God Of Wonder

Oh God of wonder  
God of Grace  
Here I stand before you  
Humbled and broken

Speak of Your love  
Oh Father, Oh Father  
Speak of Your Grace

Oh God of earth  
God of Heavenly place  
My heart opened to receive  
My heart abides in You

Speak of Your love  
Oh Father, Oh Father  
Speak of Your Grace

Oh God of Love  
Oh God of endless mercy  
Open my eyes to see You  
By Spirit blest by You

Speak of Your love  
Oh Father, Oh Father  
Speak of Your Grace

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# Healer Of Hearts

Healer of hearts

Father, Gracious Father and healer of hearts  
I pray for your mercy and strength to cover me  
Through this difficult time  
Oh Healer of hearts, help me seek peace in You  
And though things threaten to rock my foundation  
Precious Father hold me close and keep me in You

Our God of infinite love and understanding  
Take my aching heart and soothe it with Your promise  
That what I feel now, is not the bearing of my own doing  
Oh healer of hearts, keep me safe in You  
Even if others may threaten to hurt me  
Awesome Father I trust in You

Our cornerstone, our strength in all  
I turn to You Father when the memories hurt my soul  
When tides bring in despair and worthlessness  
Oh Healer of hearts, remove them from my being  
That I do not look inside of me for blame  
Precious Father, in You I am free

Father, dear Father, today I stand at Your mercy  
Asking for renewal, revival of new in me  
Take my heart, take my soul, surround me with grace  
Oh Healer of hearts, renew me in the spirit of hope  
And the strength to put behind the things of the past  
My Father, my Father, the healer of my heart.

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# How Can I Let You Go

How can I let you go  
When I feel your heart screams for love  
A love that has never entered your heart before  
My arms will hold you a lifetime  
How can I let you go

It's strange the way we've met  
And how much you have grown on me  
Different places, different beginnings  
Though my heart reaches for you  
A gentleness I sense in you  
Though scarred by battered life's choices

How can I let you go  
When I feel your heart screams for love  
A love that has never entered your heart before  
My arms will hold you a lifetime  
How can I let you go

You are part of me now  
My breathe catches when I see you  
I feel nothing can keep us apart  
It is the willingness to surrender  
Let us let love be, let love flow  
You and I together, and not just dreams

How can I let you go  
When I feel your heart screams for love  
A love that has never entered your heart before  
My arms will hold you a lifetime  
How can I let you go

I can never let you go

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# I Wish I Knew

I am hurting, still no call  
Not a word  
This silence unbearable  
Where are you?  
What are you doing?  
Do you think of me?  
Baby I miss your smile  
Your funny jokes  
Your tender touch  
I keep thinking of you  
I cant get you out of my mind  
I wish I knew, I really knew  
How you felt

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# Knowing

I thought I knew you  
But now, thinking back  
YOu never gave me your heart

Was I caught up in a moment  
Was my heart yearning to be loved  
Knowing from past experience  
I should have sensed the dangers

I thought I knew you  
But now, thinking back  
You never gave me your heart

I thought I had enough strength  
To keep a piece of my heart safe  
The precious piece that would help me recover  
And keep me from losing control

I thought I knew you  
But now, thinking back  
You never gave me your heart

Was it all just a past time  
Was the trust all just in vain  
Knowing the questions I didn't ask then  
Could I have changed what I felt

I thought I knew you  
But now, thinking back  
You never gave me your heart

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# Left Standing Here

I am left standing here  
With tears burning my eyes  
And my heart tearing with pain  
I am trying to remember  
How this all began

After all this time,  
after all we've been through  
You've called it a day,  
and left me standing here

I am left standing here  
My hands held to my chest  
Wanting to take my love  
And share it with you  
But its too late

After all this time,  
after all we've been through  
You've called it a day,  
and left me standing here

I am left standing here  
There are no regrets  
But a deeper longing  
A hope that was never realized  
What is hope

After all this time,  
after all we've been through  
You've called it a day,  
and left me standing here

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# Lift Me Up 'O God

Lift me up, O' God

Lift me up O God  
Lift me higher to You  
Lift me up O God  
Lift me in Your grace

Protect me from self will O God  
Protect me and keep me  
Protect me from self will O God  
Protect me and hold me

Peace I seek in You O God  
Peace in my heart and soul  
Peace I seek in You O God  
Peace in You alone

Mercy on my heart O God  
Mercy as Your seeking child  
Mercy on my heart O God  
Mercy, mercy, mercy

Lift me up O God  
Lift me higher to You  
Lift me up O God  
Lift me in Your grace

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# Look Into Her Heart

Don't look past her, look into her heart  
Don't deny this feeling, let it flow  
Let this warmth soak into your heart  
Let love be what it's meant to be  
Don't look past her, look into her heart

You've been touched by a woman  
And you know you cant resist her  
She makes your senses spin  
As you breathe her into you  
This woman of heart and soul  
Has this place you've searched for  
Hungry and restless until she came  
Her rhythmic responses to your touch  
Her sighs and smiles make you a man

Don't look past her, look into her heart  
Don't deny this feeling, let it flow  
Let this warmth soak into your heart  
Let love be what it's meant to be  
Don't look past her, look into her heart

You've been loved by a woman  
She gives herself to you  
Her softness fills your heart  
Gentle breathing next to you  
As you caress her face, she is yours  
You've not lived until you've met her  
Uneasy heart now beating strong  
Knowing a woman's touch  
Knowing her love, she is yours.

Don't look past her, look into her heart  
Don't deny this feeling, let it flow  
Let this warmth soak into your heart  
Let love be what it's meant to be  
Don't look past her, look into her heart

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# Mercy On Me

My body now worn and riddled with pain

FATHER have mercy on me, LORD have mercy on me

Your hand on my life even before my first breath

FATHER of my life, LORD of the wholeness of my life

My life entirely in Your hands

I do not question why my suffering

FATHER Your healing hands on me, LORD Your healing hands on me

My faith and trust in You always

FATHER the author of my being, LORD Your grace upon me

No blame, my life is in You

Your Grace keeps me from long lonely nights

FATHER Your presence comforts me, LORD Your peace in me

Loneliness will never defeat me

FATHER of everlasting love, LORD Your sacrifice in love

Humbled, I surrender to You

Though my breathing becomes harder

FATHER Your breath in me, Lord Your life in me

My eyes become dim, and life escapes me

FATHER, the giver of life, LORD, the healer of my being

Your healing in me, now and forever

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# New Rain

Lord thank you for the blessing of Your love  
Thank you for the creation of new rain  
New rain that washes clean the past  
The hurts and the attacks of others on our soul  
Thank you Lord, for Your mercy  
Your mercy that comes and stays with us  
In all troubles and woes  
In illnesses, and spiritual attacks  
Mercy to gather us up into Your arms  
and keep us safe.  
Thank you Abba for the gift of friendship  
The bonding of hearts and minds  
Bringing together a faith that in number  
We will seek to bless You and seek You  
In all things, and all ways  
Our glorious and wonderous Father  
In You alone the truth and redemption.

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# Once Upon A Time

On driving home tonight, I searched the sky for something, something even I was not sure of. 'Tis a trifle sad when you have this longing and you are not particularly certain what it is. I noticed with disappointment that the stars were not as bright as other nights. Perhaps it was my imagination that they were getting less, more distant, further apart from each other. What struck me the most is that the sky was dark and lonely, reflecting me. I could not even find the moon. No golden glow from the moonbeams, which normally dance their special dance with the stars and light up the sky, the stuff that fairytales are made of. There was certainly no 'Once Upon a Time' in tonight's sky, no place for dreams, nothing to beckon my way.

For moments I stood staring at the rather empty nothingness up above and wondered just fleetingly where I am going, what am I doing, am I taking the right path? For this incredible moment I felt quite alone. Was it perhaps nature's way showing me what I was feeling inside, a purpose to be alive and breathing. Like the sky serving a purpose, but what is this that is inside of me, this emptiness I feel? ? The glow of love had touched me once, just like the moonbeams cast its glow, why has mine gone, why is my heart so empty? The stars perhaps symbolizing the distance I feel to the one who once caused this glow. Now he is similar to the stars, which seem to have moved even further apart. Even the moon does not display this night, like I perhaps, keeping my heart hidden and safe from harm

Is it that the cosmos is reflecting what I

feel, the loneliness, even though focused on a purpose, having no glow, nothing but a lonely beating heart which once beat in syn with another. Where is my fairytale tonight, where is the stuff that makes my heart beat faster and faster at the mere thought of being held safe in another's arms? Where is this Gift of everlasting love that God promised us? Perhaps, another time, I would be able to look up at the sky and feel unlike tonight. It would be good to fill my eyes on a feast of stars and the brightest moon. Should that day arrive, I know truly then that I have found that glow within me, instilled by one great love? I would then live my once upon a time.

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# Outrageous Grace

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Lord open my eyes, that I may see You  
Through the love You've seeded in my heart  
Lord in Your grace, a vision of Your peace  
My waking thought and my blest dreams

Lord from the darkest pits of sin, You raise me up  
Through Your forgiveness You've healed my heart  
Lord in Your Word, a promise of revival  
My focus is You and Your unfailing love

Lord the battles of life, You see in my eyes  
Through Your patience You've lifted me up  
Lord in Your Love, the new morning dawns  
My breath is because of You, Your love in my heart

Lord, my Lord, my Lord  
Of all of my being  
I am humbled, amazed  
At Your outrageous grace

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# Renew Me

Renew me in You

You put a song in my heart  
And a dance in my step  
With you I see the sun  
Kiss the night goodnight  
With You at my side  
I will rejoice each step  
And place You in my heart  
Shining warmth in my being

The beauty of You  
In everything I see  
Lord make me receptive  
To received all our Father's creation  
Sensitive to life's cries  
Picking up another hurting soul  
Taking them to glory in You  
Spiritual blindness not part of me  
As You lift me and set me free  
In Your love I am set free

Oh Father of light and Father of life  
Teach me more, to be worthy of You  
Take my sorrows and take my pain  
Renew me in You, let me live again

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# Shadows Of Life

The shadows of life upon my soul

The memories that hold me back

Cannot accept reality as it is

Trying to live my life my way

What is happiness, Don't know happiness

Where do I go wrong

Is there someone I can reach out to

Why am I so alone

Don't cast anymore shadows

Hold my hand, lead the way

Help me, make me wise

Take away the shadows of life

You're the closest to understanding me

With you my feelings are free

All my darkest fears

Seems to fade in your presence

Why is life so cruel

To separate us for this time

My fears once more a reality

This loneliness without you

Don't cast anymore shadows

Hold my hand, lead the way

Help me, make me wise

Take away the shadows of life

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# Soaking In Your Presence

Standing here and soaking in Your presence Lord  
Leaves me so amazed, in awe of Your grace  
Your love is immeasurable and tireless  
You pursued my sin laden life's road  
Many times removing painful obstacles  
And refining me in grace and love  
Moulding me to what You intended me to be

Now all I want to do Lord is praise You  
Tell the world of Your work in my life  
Tell the world of Your faithfulness  
Tell the world of Your forgiveness  
Now all I want to do Lord is love You

Standing here and looking back at what was  
Brings me to my knees, as I realize Your forgiveness  
Never once giving up on me Lord  
You held me close even in the times I never knew You  
You loved me, even though I denied You  
You entered my heart and gave me peace  
Your peace that brought about a rebirth in me

Now all I want to do Lord is praise You  
Tell the world of Your work in my life  
Tell the world of Your faithfulness  
Tell the world of Your forgiveness  
Now all I want to do Lord is love You

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# The Beauty Of You

The Beauty of You

The beauty of you in everything I see  
From the glowing fire in the skies  
Created by you, to warm us and guide us  
To the never ending horizon where ocean meets sky

Nothing escapes my eyes in the beauty I see  
Silvery calm water, a reflection of peace  
Gentle breeze mingling with bird song  
A melody of your creation dancing in my heart

Oh God of all creation, from near and far we seek you  
Oh God of all of me, from ashes into beauty my life with you  
Oh God, Oh God, Oh God of all creation, the now and then  
Oh God, Oh God, Oh God of all creation, in You no end

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# When Two Hearts Combine

I've been searching for the one  
To take into my heart  
Endless nights of wondering  
If she'd ever come my way  
I think of nights of passion  
Gentle arms cradling her head  
Losing all resistance  
To the love shine in her eyes

Never knew this before  
Never felt a heart touch mine  
Never knew how much giving  
When two hearts combine

First kisses, wet and true  
Lingering on as souls collide  
Hearts beating one message  
As our bodies entwine  
Never escaping the look in her eyes  
She has pulled me into her heart  
Eagerly awaiting, eagerly receiving  
I'll linger until she is mine

Never knew this before  
Never felt a heart touch mine  
Never knew how much giving  
When two hearts combine

Kisses words cannot describe  
I have found a love worth fighting for  
Her eyes opened the doors to my heart  
My mind and body out of control  
Giving in to the glow of her love  
Her sweet taste on my lips  
My eyes eagerly seek hers  
To lose myself as our souls collide

Never knew this before  
Never felt a heart touch mine

Never knew how much giving  
When two hearts combine

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# Wonder Why

What I believe in, is love

Dear God, Dear father

Why does it pass me by

It touches me like a

Gentle spring breeze

And leave

Me with

A raging storm inside

It bears my soul

And breaks my heart

Why does it always end

In this tormenting way

I love, I give, I believe

He uses, he takes, he breaks

I cry, wonder why, my heart aches

He smiles, no apology, no reasons

Why do I still believe in love

Dear God, Dear Father

It is hope, it is patience

This love I feel

There must be someone  
Who feels the way I do  
Until I find him  
Do I have to feel the pain  
The pain of rejection  
Not understanding why  
Why this time my love  
Was once more not enough  
I seem to ask questions  
Those that have no answers  
Dear God, Dear Father  
I still wonder why  
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# Your Memory

I can convince them all

Put a smile on my face

But at times like this

Your memory's still strong

I still miss you baby

Miss the love we shared

Long for your touch

Your whisper close to me

I can say

Wish you were here

They say I look happy

Better now you're gone

But somehow I know

Your memory's still strong

I often wonder where you are

Places remind me at most

Things we always did

Things we shared

Still I say

Wish you were here

I cannot forget you

Perhaps not even trying

Blindly carrying on

Your memory's still strong

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