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An Emerald Leaf

Frozen thoughts started to haunt me,
I looked out to see the dull grey clouds,
they mirrored my thoughts impeccably
I tried to kill my pain,
I tried to make sense out of my miserable life.
All I did was grumble,
Always failed to see a light in the darkness.

That's when I saw something,
It was a leaf, a simple emerald leaf,
Even though the clouds were dull,
And the rain was cold; the leaf bathed itself in the rain,
It sparkled happily even at the darkest times
It used the rain drops that came from the dull clouds,
To make light
It swayed around merrily,
I was fascinated,
I wondered why they looked so beautiful and bright,
Beautiful, even when everything around was dull.
Happy, when everything around was sad.
It showed me what happiness is all about,
It showed me what sorrow is all about,

This is what the emerald leaf taught me,
Learn to bring out the light,
Even during the darkest of times,
And the hands of sorrow wont dare touch you.
If you don't see the light around you,
Then make your own light,
And burn your sorrow,
You choose your path in life,
So fall for no deception laid by darkness,
Break the darkness,
For, within the darkness, is a flame of happiness"

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Copper Of Life

The world seemed to be crammed with injustice.
A pure heart, a pure mind, cannot survive this race of life.

The mind of a sincere being is like pure gold.
Like pure gold, he who is sincere cannot survive in this world.
Like pure gold, he is also brittle.
So I say,
Corrupt your gold with some copper,
Make it harder with that corruption
Make it acceptable in society,
Because what this society wants is corrupt gold,
A gold that is hard and not truly pure and brittle.

Realize that life is also like gold.
So be a trickster,
Deceive others with a false act.
Make them believe you are true.
Try to please them and curse them in your mind.
Don't be frank enough to express your true hatred.
Instead act like a lover in front of your foes.
Use them all you want.

Corrupt your honest side, with the power of deception
Realize that truth does not always win the race.

This corruption is what serves you in life.
Like the copper of gold,
This is a copper of life.

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Failure Of Evolution

The world seemed to be a huge miracle for me;
It seemed to be filled with many surprises and prizes;
The world will always remain a miracle for me..Thought I.
The world will always remain an uncertain mystery for me...Thought I.

But alas! Evolution is what changed everything.
Evolution is what changed the trees...
Evolution is what changed the birds..
But still even evolution seems to be limited...Thought I.
Evolution can never scar the mysteries of this astonishing world ...Thought I..

Time passed by like a flash of light.
I grew up with the passage of time.
But little did I realize....
That one day evolution will even engulf this astounding world of mine.
Little did I realize...
That one day the world will become a place too small to live in.
I failed to realize it
I failed to realize that evolution won the war.
But no...That is not what happened.
My thoughts are what became true..
My thoughts are what backfired.
As the sands of time flew by.
The world became a big uncertain place for me again.
And again mysteries prevailed over evolution for me...

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Inevitable Insomnia

If it wasn't for her,
I wouldn't be here.
If it wasn't for her,
I wouldn't have seen a new heaven.
If it wasn't for her,
I wouldn't be so lucky.

And now, if it wasn't for her,
I wouldn't be so depressed.
For she spurned out my love.

If it wasn't for her,
I wouldn't be haunted by this insomnia.

I tried to forget her,
But I couldn't,
Not when I've seen life only through her eyes.

It is through her eyes that I saw the world once,
It is through her eyes that I knew true happiness.
So how can I ever forget her?
I would have done anything to do it.
You can forget the goals of your life.
You can even forget your own name.

But can you forget what you see every time?
Can you forget the sun that sinks into the sea?
Can you forget the aroma of a flower?
Can you forget the sparkling drops of rain?
Maybe yes!
But can you forget yourself?
No
Can you forget this world?
No.
So now I say,
Now I say that I cannot forget her,
Coz everything in this world reminds of her.
The azure sky reminds me of her azure eyes.
The rain reminds me of the times I've spent with her.

It goes on and on.
And now I have a choice.

End my life, and maybe, I'll forget her.
Or live this miserable life,
And be a victim to this inevitable insomnia

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Lies Of A Mirage

I know that she loved me once.
I know that she wanted me once.
But she fluttered away from me.
A strange power drove her away.
Perhaps I was hiding too much.
Hiding behind my sorrow.
Hiding behind my fear.
But I was too late.
She sold her heart for someone.
Someone who is not me.

She fell for the lies of a mirage.
A mirage which made promises that sounded so real.
A mirage which promised a false heaven.

She took her new life to be ideal.
She made hopes in her new man.

But I saw her future.
A dark fate awaited her.
A fate so dark that it would be burned off as a lie.
A fate so dark, that even she did not suspect.
A fate so dark, that even her lover did not suspect.

She and her lover played along in a game called life.
Hoping that everyone's fate was similar.
Hoping that the future was predictable.
Hoping that books and quotes are what prevailed.

I pity her future, for she does not see the heaven she burned out.
But now I just wish.
I just wish that she wouldn't forget me.
I just wish that she would just smile at me.

My words were empty before.
I did not see the words to express my love.
But now I wish that she would realize,
That I loved her and I will keep on loving her.

I just wish I could have stopped her.
But I was too late;
For she fell into the lies of a mirage

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Light Of Darkness

I trained my soul for the lies ahead,
I saved my time for the new dawn.
I tried to decipher life using light,
I tried to purge my soul with light,
But strange as it may sound
The light didn't heal my soul.

Do I know how to use the light?
If not, how can I reform my ways?
I craved for some knowledge.
Teach me how to use the light, I cried.
All that came was an echo,
None heard my cry.
I wondered why I wasn't able to use the light,
Everyone knew it, but why can't I?

My patience drained out of me,
But my will kept me on,
I tried to crawl into the light.
But then I asked myself.
Why the light? Why not darkness?

There, my cry was answered.
I found a new way to use the light,
But strange as it may sound,
The light showed me its true face,
A face that was common for all,
A face of darkness.
I ran into the new face of light,
I ran into the darkness,
And there, my life revealed itself,
I was able to purge my soul with the light of darkness.

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Mask Of Fear

They say that fear is dreadful.
They say that fear destroys us.
They say that fear induces only pain.
They say that fear is horrifying.

These are what they say,
But I tell you,
All these are just the outer mask of fear.

A society is disciplined. Why?
'cause we fear the law.

A child listens to his elders.
'cause he fears them.

You listen to your loved ones.
But of course,
People would disagree that fear is responsible for it.
They say it's the power of love,
They say it's coz of our love for them.

But think!
Why should we listen to our loved ones?
Is it just coz we love them?
No. I say no,
Coz again it is out of fear that you do it,
But fear for what?
You fear that you'd make your love unhappy,
You fear that you'd lose your love.

Fear prevents chaos in a society,
If it wasn't for our fear for the law,
Our lives would've been in chaos

So open your eyes,
Perceive the term fear with care,
Coz many of you've failed to see what is behind the mask of fear.

A mask, if taken away,

Shows that fear is a guide towards discipline and justice.

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Mask Of Future

Dreams weren't farfetched for me
Life wasn't bad for me
I got everything I wanted,
Power and ability, and even opportunity
But I ignored something unknown.

I got an opportunity,
But I did not complete my wish.
I did not misuse my opportunity,
But this world has a sequence.
A flow which we all follow
Something I failed to do.
I used my powers at the wrong time.
I stepped into higher steps ignoring the lower ones.

But I failed to realize something,
I failed to realize that everything required a basement.
A basement on which it can stand.
A power on which it can function.

I ignored the lower aspects of my life,
I went for the larger ones and accomplished them with ease
But there were two things in the lower steps.
Two things that I ignored.
Time and patience.
I ignored the aspect of time, and looked into the future.
I lacked patience and was eager to reach the future.
But I failed to realize that the future did not exist.
We can never reach our future.
For, when we reach it, it becomes the present.
I failed to realize that the future is yet another present,
A present which I always ignored.
I failed to realize that we can control only our present.
Use the present wisely, and the future will follow up.

I failed to see the hidden mask of future.
A mask, if opened, showed that the future is just another present.

Spurned Love

Her maiden smile blazed my heart
A flame so furious
That it melted my heart
Her smile wounded me with love
She loves me, thought I.

The sands of time flew by,
Our empathy grew on.
I knew that she was the one.
Let me wait, thought I.

I feared to utter my love for her
I waited for her to read my soul
I waited and waited,
No barriers were strong to move my soul
The devil failed before me,
Even time failed before my love
Conquering all the barriers I waited and waited.

But Alas!
The devil swayed her heart away
Swayed it to another
It froze my heart when she did it
I tried to make my life sensible
But sense was a far-fetched dream

I still wonder what the devil told her
I still wonder why she hooded her heart
I still wonder,
Why she spurned out my silent love

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Unearthly Love

I loved her.
And she loved me.
We loved being with each other.
None where against our love.
We gave our souls to each other.
But there was something unearthly about our love.

I couldn't touch her,
And she couldn't touch me.
I see her everywhere,
I see her in the morning sun.
I see her in a field of flowers.
She is all around me.
And our love never faded.
And no one opposed to anything.
But there was something unearthly about our love.

Something kept me from reaching her.
Something kept her from reaching me.
We were lucky to have such a wonderful love life.
But something still kept us apart.
But there was something unearthly about our love.

Then I realized that I can see her everywhere.
Each dropp of rain showed me my love.
Each ray of the sun showed me my love.

But the truth is always inevitable,
She did love me.
I did love her,
And our love never faded.
But something else faded away.

My love, she faded away.
Her soul faded away.
It hurts to write this,

But my love is nothing but a memory.
And our love is unearthly,
For her soul wanders without a body.

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