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Opening

Stronghold

We read books on how to live
And how to ease our mind
We learn to meditate
To find silence in our hearts.

We climb mountains to find peace
Lectures for inner truth
Preachers who all know
How to fool our soul

I'm calling out to you
To liberate your dreams
To break the ties that bind you
And to eliminate your fears

How hard as it may seem
Try never to let go
Of the visions that we have
For they will be our stronghold
To which we will return

Millennia have gone by
And prayers seemed in vain
What we couldn't see
Was constructed in our mind

We seek solutions but no cure
Questions to our answers
Dream the highest dream of you
And try to realize

Salvation

I wake up from the noise
That haunts me every day
It granted me my sleep
Whispering softly in my ear

The noise is fading out
So I can hear more clearly
Voices from the past
And voices from the future

I've been rushing through my life
Stumbling over me and you
Forgetting everything I hoped for
It seemed that I was motionless
It felt like I stood still forever
I've been rushing through my life
Crying tears of fear
Forgetting everything I cared for
It seemed that I was motionless
It felt like I could live forever

Noises in my head
Speaking of salvation
Burning kingdoms down
In merciless frustration

I'm living with the noise
My company for ages
Hatred in my heart
Consumes my true nature

Circles

Now I am here alone
With this sadness in my heart
No one can reach me here
And no one to impart
The feeling to come undone
Weighs so heavy on my heart
But I cannot find the words
And I cannot find the strength

I find it hard to breathe
Like I am suffocating
Within these boundaries of fear
I've forced upon myself
Unable to find my way
When yesterday's forgotten
And tomorrow never comes
Will I be here tomorrow?
I'm slowly reaching ground
How can I break these circles
By which I feel surrounded?
I'll find my way to live today
When yesterday's forgotten
And tomorrow never comes

My innocence and patience
Enclosed by this rage
Within my world of reason
I am seeing blind
I find myself entangled
In my own web of thoughts
As extension and completion
Of what I must become?

Insight

Understanding of others is a way towards consideration

Tolerance towards others is a way towards harmony

Acceptance of others is a way towards togetherness

Caring for others is way towards friendship

Overcome inner worries with wisdom

Resolve outer trouble with loving kindness

Self-reflection will improve our wisdom

Assisting others to solve their difficulties brings us merit

Blind World

Have I really come this far
To see everything burn down?
No forgiveness here
This is what is left of us

I turn my back on all I know
I never sought for wisdom here
Pain so deep I couldn't say
Will we ever stand clear?

I'll blind myself from the world
What I don't see I do not crave
What I don't hear I do not need
What I don't touch will keep me clean

I'll keep myself from the world
No word will leave my mouth in vain
No regrets shall keep me here
And I shall never shed a tear

Have I really come this close
To witness hell in full effect?
Only surrounded by despair
No reason to go home

Live my life as I see fit
Bound by violence and pain
We make our nightmares alive
Is this what we are?

This is what we are...

Rites of Passage

On this day, this time of passage
I need to make my statement now
Where I'll go is still uncertain
To what I've left I can't return

This moment's lost, gone forever
I need to listen to this voice
Whispering from deep inside me
Telling things I fear to hear:

As a rite of passage
You want to turn away
From everything you have created
In this world when you felt so unknown
You blame the sun for all her light
That ever fell your way
You push everything away
And claim that you're alone
And now you say you feel alone
And now your heart has turned to stone

On this day, this time of passage
I've forgotten what is true
Neglecting these feelings of compassion
Only believing what I see

I want to break these bonds around me
Stand alone untouched by none
Still I hear this voice behind me
Re-defining who I am

Karma

No fear, no sorrow, no pain, just me
I clear my mind and let it be
I seek no longer for things to come
All I want will soon be gone

The more I see what lies behind
The more I feed my consciousness
There is no wrong, there is no right
There's just me in eternal light

I follow every step with my heart
My karma
I choose to live in love and light
What I give I will receive in life
My karma
Every end will bring a brand new start
Forever

In hate and sorrow we choose to live
Give and take or receive and give
We can decide to make it real
Our finest future or our demise

Cause and effect create our world
What you sow you're destined to reap
Search for wisdom and you will see
Eternity unfolds for you and me

Experience

An experience helps one to progress in life
A success or failure is a lesson
For making self-improvement in life

Be considerate when dealing with matters
Be reflective before commenting on others

Civilization

When the sun turned red
When the moon was ours
Before the machines wiped our souls
When our hearts stopped pumping
And our minds were dim
This is my new hymn

Civilization
Claustrophobia
Combination
Combustible

Commandment
Community
Compliments
Complicity

This is my reality
This is my civilization

Devotion
Devaluation
Devious
Declaration

Degenerate
Dimension
Destructive
Directive

Division

I look for questions to my answers
I scan for faces in the crowd
I search for wisdom in a madhouse
I seek freedom for an imprisoned mind

All I wanted in my life
Is now slipping through my fingers
Standing on the shore
I feel the water closing in
It seems my sanity is fading
To a point of no return
I have come to realize
The one I fear is me

I want shelter in open field
I look for shadow in the sunlight
I dig for water in my desert
I search for stars in clouded skies

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Destination

Afraid to speak
Afraid to touch
Afraid that everything could harm

Afraid to cry
Afraid to laugh
Afraid that you might see my pain

My heart is not your destination

Afraid to live
Afraid to die
Afraid that my love will hurt you

Afraid to come
Afraid to part
Afraid that my fears keep you here

Awakening

Restoration

After all the pain I've mastered
From all the suffering I've seen
This seems to be so monumental
This feels so indefensible

I can't see beyond, I can't feel me
I can't reach me, I can't save me

When there's nothing left to say
When there's nothing left to lose
And I feel forsaken on my way

I'll remember you
In all your grace
In all your moves
In all your ways
I'll honour you
In all my days
In all my thoughts
In all my ways

It feels my inner strength has left me
For visions I despise
Like I'm gradually collapsing
Until there's no remnant left

It's just a matter of time
Before I get restored
It's just a matter of hope
Before I save myself

Hold Me

Hold me
So I can feel
The warmth of your body
Close to me

Hold me
So I can smell
The scent of life once more

Feel this cold body
See the decaying of my flesh
Please hold me for a while
And make this moment last
Before I'll travel to a distant world
Where we all belong

Kiss me
So I remember
For all eternity
And after

Touch me
So I can sense
A loving touch
Before goodbye

Radiance

It feels like I am leaving shore
Bound for new adventures
Embarking on an endless quest

I'm leaving land behind
Exiled and afraid
I turn my head and realize
There is no turning back

I'm not complaining
I'm not asking for sympathy
For this hole inside my soul
I cannot heal
It feels like I am awake and dreaming
It seems like I am awake and dreaming

It seems that I can't comprehend
The lessons I have learned
Forgetting wisdoms I have preached

These infuriating storms
Are tearing me apart
Nothing left for me to save
Nothing left to salvage

Closing