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AUTUMN

Remember the days of us Opened my mind to a new reality A place where daylight lived You were wisdom, music and desire Understanding was everything Love was an amusement park Revealed itself in layers Like petals on a rose Each layer I was close to you My fragility, your affirmations Vocalised my aspirations Loves melody You were my prize, my Hesprides Your point of promise Made my spirits sublime Our love sailing in the currents of the River Perfect Pacify the child Draw my strings like chords of a guitar Tumbling in love Rapids into waterfalls Bountiful our love was Fruits of the seasons

LEMONS IN THE FIELD

Living in the sky The blue yonder the upper regions of self Elevation away from gravity A Genesis I was pristine, unbroken For the first time I felt My breath in the cold air The hair of my skin tone sting Blood rushing through the capillaries Flowing lanes on the highway Smell tangy fragrance of lemons in the fields I was alive Streaks of sun warm on my face I smile, feel the God in me He is beautiful, heavenly, arresting Arresting I stand still in silence Send out light from the top my head to my feet Freedom from the scars of disgrace Feel the leaves of the Japonica Crown the ground as canvas

THE GREAT WINTER OF SACRIFICE

The cold Antarctica winds seem to expose the poverty Poverty that I held within Smile at the world with pain in my heart Precipitation on the frozen grounds Was it a gift from God It was a wonder, a mystery The world knew my name Yet poverty lacerated the veins of my being The force of the Mephisto The lure of homelessness Face out of the water Winter was stifling, suffocating A torrent, swept the humanity out of me Misfortune was dancing the snow dance Solitary nights I bear the bane Wretchedness, woe, and hades Stood in my divinity Freedom from doubt

The sun will shine in the morning

LETTERS FROM HOME

In the deserted days Where the sun is my champion And the blood thirsts for water I tell the rays what I miss the most Hear my breathing Sweat drip down my back My hands cracked from the labour Labour without gains Split the grounds to pass the hours Read the roads of my palms Roads that lead me back home Then I receive your letters Your words are like rain in the summer Comfort my blackened heart Feel the elevation of my spirit My people, the force of humanity I cannot pray to surrender my heaviness I cannot cry to release my sentence

THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

We are making history Politics on social media Reality of the mirrors of colour Colour blind with fake affections Our future inheritance lies In chromosomes, DNA and future citizens Transplants, mutations into the superhumans Terrorism the war within us Abandon the heroes of the nation Who left their ego at the gate of sacrifice A lateral view of the voice of the people Where politicians serve political interests In the corridors of power Fight the spotlight, the savage torrents Of becoming the political superstars Let Mother Earth die the slow burn Slow burn of pollution, progression, advancement And we are killing us softly Focused on the exchange of currency The Euro ,the Pound and how the Dow Jones fell