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SIMPLE ENOUGH

Simple Enough is a short work of poems that I hope everyone will be able to understand and hopefully identify with at least one of the works within.

THANK YOU!  
8/17/14

UNTITLED

I CAN SEE YOUR FACE NO MATTER WHERE I LOOK  
TO YOU MY LIFE WAS LIKE AN OPEN BOOK

I CAN FEEL YOUR HAND BRUSH AGAINST MY SKIN  
ALMOST AS IF YOUR RIGHT NEXT TO ME AGAIN

WE LIVE OUR LIVES DESTINED TO SIN  
BUT GOD OPENS HIS ARMS AND STILL LETS US IN

YOUR SORELY MISSED WE CAN'T LET YOU GO  
YOUR A PART OF OUR LIVES AND WE LOVE YOU SO

THERE'S SO MUCH MORE THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN SAID  
WE CAN ONLY PRAY YOU HEAR THE THOUGHTS IN OUR HEADS

IT'S SO HARD TO ACCEPT AND TRY TO MOVE ON  
WHEN WE ALWAYS HAD SUCH AN UNBREAKABLE BOND

I KNOW IT'S SO WRONG AND SELFISH OF ME  
YOUR STRUGGLES NOW OVER YOUR SOULS BEEN SET FREE

THAT STILL DOESN'T STOP ME FROM HITTING MY KNEES  
TEARS STINGING MY FACE FROM THE HARSH REALITY

I KNOW THAT YOUR GONE THOUGH THE TIMINGS ALL WRONG  
IT JUST ALL FEELS LIKE SOME SAD LONELY SONG

EVENTUALLY I KNOW THAT THIS SADNESS WILL GO  
REPLACED BY A LOVE THAT WILL FOREVER GROW

WE KNOW THAT YOUR SAFE AT HEAVENS GATES  
THAT'S JUST WHAT WE NEED TO PUT US AT EASE

PEACE OF MIND WILL TAKE SOME TIME  
LOVE FOREVER ARE THE TIES THAT BIND

WHEN YOU LOOK DOWN UPON MY FACE  
KNOW IN MY HEART YOU KEEP A SPECIAL PLACE!

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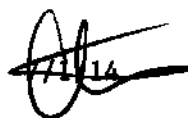

LIES ARE THE DEVIL

IN THE COURSE OF OUR LIVES  
WE ALL TELL HARMLESS LIES  
LITTLE UNTRUES MEANT TO SOOTHE  
UNCONSCIOUSLY IT'S BETTER WE THINK  
THE TRUTH CAN SOMETIMES MAKE US SINK  
INTO A WORLD OF DEEP DEPRESSION  
OUR LIVES SPIN SLOWLY INTO REGRESSION  
OUR SOULS IN JEOPARDY BUT STILL WE LIE  
CAN'T FIND THE COURAGE TO LOOK IN GODS EYES  
HARMLESS HARMLESS HARMLESS I SAY  
SOMETIMES A WHITE LIE TURNS OUT OKAY  
DECEITFUL DECEPTION TO ALTER PERCEPTION  
ADDS OUR SOULS TO THE DEVILS COLLECTION  
SPUTTERING STUTTERING AND NERVOUS ARE WE  
SHOULD WE LIE TO THIS HOLY BEING  
WITH SWEATY PALMS AND SHIFTY EYES  
THE DEVIL URGES TO LIE LIE LIE  
THE FLAMES OF HELL FLUSH OUR FACES  
WHILE GOD WATCHES AS WE CHOOSE OUR DESTINATION  
THE MORE WE LIE THE FURTHER WE FALL  
BUT GODS GATES ARE ALWAYS OPEN TO US ALL  
TRUTH BE TOLD HE'LL PICK US UP  
AND DUST US OFF WITH A KICK IN THE BUTT  
A SIMPLE REMINDER OF LOVE OUTSTANDING  
A FORGIVING NATURE THAT 'S UNCOMPREHENDING  
FAITH IS ALL WITH NO LIES INVOLVED  
THAT'S ALL IT TAKES TO HALT OUR FALL  
LEAVE THE LIES WHERE THEY LAY  
AND OPEN UP TO GOD EVERY SINGLE DAY  
GODS PATH FOR US IS UNCERTAIN AT MOST  
UNTIL WE SPEND ETERNITY WITH HIM  
AS OUR FATHERLY HOST!

 2/28/14

CHRISTOPHER LEE

CHRISTOPHER LEE IS MY FIRST BORN SON  
AT THE TIME I THOUGHT HE'D BE MY ONLY ONE  
FOR DAYS ON END I NEVER LEFT HIS SIDE  
THE FIRST BORN SON IS A FATHER'S GREATEST PRIDE  
HE SLEPT ON MY CHEST FOR THOSE FIRST FEW DAYS  
WHILE HIS MOTHER RECOVERED FROM HER BIRTHING HAZE  
OUR BOND WAS UN-BREAKABLE FROM THE VERY START  
THOSE NEW BORN EYES SO BEAUTIFUL THEY MELT THE HEART  
TEN TINY FINGERS AND TEN TINY TOES  
THOSE ROSY RED CHEEKS AND THAT TINY LITTLE NOSE  
EVERYTHING ABOUT HIM WAS WONDERFUL TO ME  
THIS PERFECT LITTLE PERSON RESTING PEACEFULLY  
WE ALL HAVE OUR HOPES AND FEARS AND DOUBTS  
ABOUT HOW OUR PARENTING SKILLS WILL WORK OUT  
WE TRY TO TEACH THEM THE THINGS THEY SHOULD KNOW  
INSTILL RESPONSIBILITY AND WATCH THEM GROW  
LOOKING AT THE YOUNG MAN MY SON HAS BECOME  
STILL GROWING AND LEARNING FROM EVERYONE  
I CAN SIT BACK WITH PRIDE SWELLING MY CHEST  
MY FIRST BORN SON ALWAYS TRYING HIS BEST  
THROUGH ALL THE ADVERSITY THAT HE'S HAD TO FACE  
HE NEVER ALLOWS IT TO STOP OR EVEN SLOW HIS PACE  
HE PUSHES ON AND FIGHTS HIS WAY THROUGH  
KNOWING HE'S THE ONE HIS YOUNGER BROTHERS LOOK UP TO  
NOW DON'T GET ME WRONG HE STILL DOES HIS DIRT  
AND WHEN HE DESERVES IT HIS BACKSIDE GETS HURT  
NO MATTER WHAT I'M HIS FATHER FOR LIFE  
AND I'LL DO MY BEST TO RAISE HIM UP RIGHT  
WHEN HE GETS OLDER AND STARTS OUT ON HIS OWN  
THERE'S ALWAYS A PLACE FOR HIM IN MY HOME  
IF EVER A TIME COMES WHEN HE NEEDS ME THE MOST  
I'LL ALWAYS BE THERE AND I'LL ALWAYS BE CLOSE  
I LOVE ALL MY CHILDREN WITH EVERY BIT OF MY HEART  
AND I'VE LOVED THEM ALL FROM THE VERY START!



YOU AND I

THROUGH ALL THE YEARS WE'VE STUCK TOGETHER  
THIS HAS BEEN THE HARDEST STORM WE'VE HAD TO WEATHER  
FORCED APART BY CIRCUMSTANCE  
WE STILL HAVE LOVE AND ROMANCE  
TRIED AND TESTED YOU'VE STAYED TRUE  
AND MY LOVE DOES NOTHING BUT GROW FOR YOU  
AS FAITHFUL AS EVER YOUR HERE FOR ME  
AND I KNOW HOW HARD THAT HAS TO BE  
ABSENCE MAKES THE HEART GROW FONDER  
AND IT MAKES OUR BOND THAT MUCH STRONGER  
IN THE END IT'S YOU AND I  
WITH THE WORLD BEFORE US  
AND OUR TROUBLES BEHIND  
HAPPINESS COMES WITH YOU IN MY ARMS  
LISTENING TO ALL OF OUR LOVE SONGS  
WE'LL PICK UP THE PIECES AND START BRAND NEW  
FROM NOW TILL FOREVER IT'S JUST ME AND YOU  
NOW ALL WE NEED IS FOR ME TO BE FREED!  
I LOVED YOU THEN,  
I LOVE YOU NOW,  
I'LL LOVE YOU ALWAYS!

10/15/82  


IT'S NEVER TO LATE

ALL MY LIFE I'VE ALWAYS KNOWN  
I LIVE TO DIE AND DIE ALONE

THE ROADS I TRAVEL THROUGH THIS LIFE  
INEVITABLY END WITH DEATHS QUICK STRIKE

NO MATTER WHAT I DO IT SEEMS  
THE REAPER WEAVES ME INTO HIS DREAMS

THE DAY WILL COME OF THIS I KNOW  
WHEN IT'S MY TIME TO HAVE TO LET GO

ONE MORE JOURNEY IS ALL I SEEK  
WILL I RISE UP OR PLUMMET DEEP

HAVE I LIVED A LIFE OF SIN  
HAVE I WALKED THE PATH TO HIM

THOSE ARE QUESTIONS I SHOULD KNOW  
THE WORD SAYS "WE REAP WHAT WE SOW"

OF ALL THE THINGS I'VE SAID AND DONE  
I TRIED TO FOLLOW THE WAYS OF THE SON

I'VE OFTEN SLIPPED I CAN NOT LIE  
I MUST ASK FORGIVENESS BEFORE I DIE

ACCEPT THE ONE WHO MAKES ME WHOLE  
AND TRUST IN HIM TO COLLECT MY SOUL

SO IT SEEMS TO DIE ALONE  
IS NOT THE PATH I CHOOSE TO ROAM

SIDE BY SIDE AND HAND IN HAND  
EVERYWHERE I TURN AN ANGEL STANDS

WHAT I'VE ASKED HAS BEEN GIVEN  
NOW I STAND WITH THOSE WHO HAVE RISEN

HE HAS GRANTED ME MY FINAL PRAYER  
ALLOWING ME TO CLIMB HEAVENS STAIRS

IT'S NEVER TO LATE TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE  
JUST START WITH FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST!



JOSEPH LEE

JOSEPH LEE IS EVERY PART OF ME  
MY MIDDLE SON WHO'S 2 OF MY 3  
DARE I SAY HE'S SMARTER THAN MOST  
AND MORE DEVILSH THAN I LIKE TO BOAST

WHEN HE SMILES HE LIGHTS UP MY LIFE  
THE LOOK IN HIS EYES IS SUCH A DELIGHT  
HE GIGGLES AND LAUGHS AND ENJOYS HIMSELF  
THE TROUBLING PAST PUT AWAY ON A SHELF

IF AND WHEN HE CHOOSES TO BEHAVE  
THOSE ARE ALWAYS HIS VERY BEST DAYS  
SHOULD THE DEVIL INSIDE HIM PUT ON A SHOW  
TRUST AND BELIEVE EVERYONE AROUND WILL KNOW

JOSEPH LEE YOUR EVERY PART OF ME  
AND EVERYTHING THAT I COULDN'T BE  
YOUNG ENOUGH TO AVOID MY MISTAKES  
BUT OLD ENOUGH TO START CATCHING BREAKS

I HOPE THE DEVIL INSIDE YOU LEAVES YOU ALONE  
AND FINDS SOME OTHER SOUL TO BURN  
SURROUNDED BY LOVE AND ADORATION  
CONCENTRATE ON SCHOOL AND YOUR EDUCATION

TAKE SOME ADVICE FROM YOUR OLD MAN  
AND BE A BETTER MAN THAN WHAT I AM  
AS HARD AS THAT IS FOR ME TO SAY  
I KNOW IT TRULY IS THE ONLY WAY

I CAN CHANGE MY LIFE IT'S TRUE  
BUT I DREAM OF BETTER THAN THIS FOR YOU  
START DOING THE RIGHT THINGS NOW  
AND GROW UP TO BE A MAN WITH CLASS AND STYLE

AS SMART AS YOU ARE IT'S EASY TO SEE  
THAT YOU'LL MAKE YOUR WAY GRACEFULLY  
BUT TAKE YOUR TIME AND DON'T GROW UP TO QUICK  
AND ENJOY YOUR TIME JUST BEING A KID!

I LOVE YOU SON!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Lee', written over a horizontal line.

REMEMBERING RAIN

DAYS OF RAIN AND ROLLING THUNDER  
LEAVE MANY MEN INSIDE TO WONDER

WHY HAS LIFE TURNED TO THIS  
MY FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND CHILDREN TO MISS

LIGHTNING FLASHES THROUGH THE AIR  
AND ALL OUR HEADS TURN TO STARE

FLASHES OF LIVES ONCE LIVED  
VISIONS OF MONEY, LOVE, AND OUR KIDS

ALWAYS WONDERING HOW LONG IT WILL LAST  
THESE STORMS FORCE BACK OUR PAST

PLEASURE AND PAIN ALL BECOME ONE  
LIKE THOSE RAIN DROPS RUNNING FROM THE SUN

THE SILENCE OF LIGHTNING WEARS ON OUR MINDS  
NOTHING CAN KILL THE SILENCE OF TIME

THE LOUD ROLLING THUNDER ALWAYS UNSEEN  
THE GATES TO FREEDOM ALWAYS A DREAM

THE RAGING STORM STILL CARRIES ON  
THE THOUGHTS IN OUR HEADS FAR FROM GONE

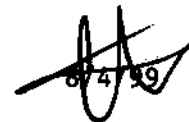
THE FALLING RAIN HAS A PURPOSE  
MORE THAN CAN BE SAID FOR THOUSANDS OF PERSONS

THUNDER AND LIGHTNING GO HAND IN HAND  
JUST LIKE SMILES TO A PITYFUL MAN

THE CLOUDS DROP LIFE TO THE GROUND BELOW  
WHO RETURNS LIFE TO OUR LOST HELPLESS SOULS

THE CLOUDS OF RAIN SLOWLY DRIFT AWAY  
AND OUR THOUGHTS RETURN TO A ROUTINE DAY

THE RAIN WILL ALWAYS RETURN AND LEAVE ONCE AGAIN  
BUT WE'LL STILL BE HERE REMEMBERING OUR SINS!

  
8/4/99



FOOLISHNESS ASIDE

THERE SEEMS TO BE SOMETHING IN THE BREEZE  
THAT ALWAYS COMES BETWEEN YOU AND ME

IT WAS YOU AND ME AND ME AND SHE  
OUR DESTINY UNCERTAIN LIKE A WIND IN THE LEAVES

PASSION LEAD THE WAY DAY BY DAY  
CAUTION THROWN ASIDE COME WHAT MAY

WITH OUR HEADS IN THE CLOUDS AND OUR HEARTS IN OUR HANDS  
THINGS BEGAN TO HAPPEN THAT WE COULD NEVER PLAN

OUR LIVES TAKE MANY UNEXPECTED TWISTS  
EMOTIONS TAKE CONTROL WITH THE FLICK OF A WRIST

WE SHOULD HAVE HANDLED THINGS BETTER THAN WE DID  
BUT LOVE MAKES US ACT JUST LIKE LITTLE KIDS

NOW COMES THAT SPECIAL PLACE IN TIME  
WHERE YOU AND I BOTH CAN THINK WITH OUR MINDS

THERE'S MORE THAN US TWO, WE NEED TO THINK THINGS THROUGH  
BECAUSE OF OUR DAUGHTER WHO'S BOTH ME AND YOU

SHE MAY HAVE YOUR SMILE AND YOUR HAIR FOR AWHILE  
BUT IT'S HER DADDY INSIDE HER THAT GIVES HER HER STYLE

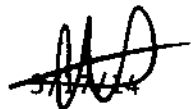
PUT AWAY PAST SHAMES AND STOP PLAYING CHILDISH GAMES  
AND BRING OUR BABY UP RIGHT KNOWING FORTUNE AND FAME

YOU AND I TOGETHER CAN BE THE LIGHT IN HER EYES  
AS LONG AS WE CAN PUT OUR FOOLISH PRIDE TO THE SIDE!

  
1/11

FRIDAY NIGHT

ANOTHER WEEK IS OVER AND DONE  
AND NOW THE WEEKEND HAS JUST BEGUN  
IT'S FRIDAY NIGHT WE SCREAM AND SHOUT  
AND COUNT OUR MONEY SO WE CAN GO OUT  
FIRST WE DRINK AND THEN WE DANCE  
THEN DRINK SOME MORE WITH NEW FOUND FRIENDS  
WE START TO FEEL NUMB THOUGH THE NIGHTS STILL YOUNG  
WITH MUCH MORE DRINKING YET TO BE DONE  
ORDER OUR SHOTS AND FINISH OUR BEERS  
BUY A ROUND FOR THE BAR AND EVERYONE CHEERS  
OUT ON THE FLOOR FOR ONE MORE DANCE  
UNTIL SOME DRUNK BITCH PUKES ON YOUR PANTS  
FIGHTING AND SCRATCHING AND PULLING OUT HAIR  
SOON THE COPS WILL BE EVERYWHERE  
OUT OF THE BAR AND RUN TO THE CAR  
SEARCH FOR THE KEYS THE COPS AREN'T FAR  
WE CAN HEAR THE SIRENS AND JUST SEE THE LIGHTS  
OPEN THE DOORS AND BUCKLE UP TIGHT  
AS DRUNK AS WE ARE WE WON'T MAKE IT FAR  
JUST HOPING THE NIGHT WON'T END BEHIND BARS  
SOMEHOW WE MANAGE TO MAKE OUR WAY HOME  
AND WALK THROUGH THE DOORS AS YOU MUMBLE AND MOAN  
YOU HEAD TO THE BATHROOM TO EVACUATE YOUR GUTS  
THE EXCITEMENT AND ALCOHOL JUST TURNED INTO TOO MUCH  
PASSED OUT ON THE COUCH WITH ME ON THE FLOOR  
I DREAM OF THE COPS BREAKING DOWN OUR DOOR  
THE NEXT MORNING WE WAKE AND SHOWER AND SCRUB  
AND CHECK OUT YOUR BRUISES FROM YOUR NIGHT AT THE PUB  
ALL SAID IT'S STILL SHOCKING HOW MUCH FUN CAN BE HAD  
WITH JUST A FEW DOLLARS AND A DRINK IN YOUR HAND  
ONE DAY WE'LL STOP OR SO WE KEEP SAYING  
BUT UNTIL THEN OUR LOVED ONES KEEP ON PRAYING  
THE DEVIL WILL COME TO COLLECT HIS DUE  
AND UNLESS WE STOP THAT INCLUDES ME AND YOU!



KOLTON LEE

KOLTON LEE IS THE YOUNGEST OF MY SONS  
AND I LOVE HIM AS MUCH AS MY OTHER ONES  
HE HAS HIS OWN STYLE AND CHARACTER  
AND CAN BE JUST AS STUBBORN AS HIS FATHER  
HE'S SO LOVING AND KIND AND CONSIDERATE  
SOMETIMES I WONDER WHERE HE GETS IT  
RIGHT NOW HE'S SO YOUNG AND FULL OF LIFE  
NO WORRIES, JUST AWE AT EVERYTHING IN SIGHT  
I OFTEN SIT BACK AND WATCH IN AMAZEMENT  
WHILE THIS YOUNG CHILD IS HIS OWN ENTERTAINMENT  
WHEN HE WANTS IT, HE'LL COME FOR SOME LOVIN'  
WRAPPING ARMS AROUND NECKS FOR SOME INTENSE HUGGIN'  
BUT WHEN HE WANTS TO BE LEFT ALONE  
YOU'LL KNOW BY HIS LOOK AND EVEN HIS TONE  
THINGS STARTED OUT ROUGH FOR MY YOUNGEST SON  
WE ALL HAVE OUR ISSUES AND NEED TO MOVE ON  
HE'S LOVED AND ADORED AND TREASURED BY ALL  
AND HE HAS HIS BROTHERS TO HELP SHOULD HE FALL  
I'M CONSTANTLY SURPRISED BY HIS TALENT AND WIT  
AND THE BOY HAS A SMILE THAT JUST WON'T QUIT  
HE'S STILL JUST A CHILD AND LEARNING HIS WAY  
HIS ONLY GOAL IN LIFE, TO HAVE FUN EVERYDAY  
IT'S SURREAL TO WATCH AS HE GROWS AND GROWS  
HE'S LOVED MORE EVERYDAY AND THIS HE KNOWS  
I CAN SAY THAT HE HAS ME IN HIS LIFE FOR GUIDANCE  
BUT HE NEEDS MORE THAN ME TO HAVE A FIGHTING CHANCE  
WE SURROUND HIM WITH LOVE, AFFECTION, AND TRUST  
AND PRAY HE DOES RIGHT WITH THE BIG DECISIONS  
HE'LL BE A GREAT MAN ON HIS OWN SOMEDAY  
RIGHT NOW WE ENJOY HIM BEING THE KID HE IS TODAY  
I LOVE HIM AS MY SON AND ALSO MY FRIEND  
JUST WATCHING HIM GROW MAKES ME CRY AGAIN AND AGAIN  
FOREVER AND ALWAYS I'LL LOVE YOU MY SON  
NO MATTER HOW THINGS TURN OUT OR HOW LONG I'M GONE!

7/22/14

A SONS LOVE

LITTLE BOY BLUE AND THE MAN IN THE MOON  
MAKES ME THINK OF ME AND YOU

EVER SINCE I WAS A BOY ON YOUR KNEE  
YOU'VE DONE WHAT YOU COULD TO TAKE CARE OF ME

THOSE FRIGHTFUL NIGHTS I'D SLEEP IN YOUR BED  
SNUGGLED UP WITH YOUR ARM UNDER MY HEAD

ALWAYS SMILING YOU TOOK THE GOOD WITH THE BAD  
AND TAUGHT ME EVERYTHING WITH WHATEVER YOU HAD

SOLID AS A ROCK WITH VALUES NEVER WAIVING  
YOU TOOK WHAT LIFE OFFERED AND MADE IT WORTH SAVING

AS A MAN YOUR WORTH YOUR WEIGHT IN GOLD  
AS A FATHER THEY MADE YOU AND BROKE THE MOLD

YOU'VE ALWAYS SAID TO BE A BETTER MAN THAN I AM  
BUT NEVER ONCE DID YOU DRAW A LINE IN THE SAND

YOU STOOD BEHIND ME THROUGH THICK AND THIN  
HOPING LIFE WOULD TEACH ME THE LESSONS TO WIN

I'M TRYING TO BE THE MAN YOU RAISED ME TO BE  
SO MY KIDS CAN BE AS PROUD OF ME AS I WANT YOU TO BE

TO THIS DAY I HAVE TO SAY LIKE LITTLE BOY BLUE  
I STILL LOOK UP TO YOU AS THE MAN IN THE MOON

FOREVER AND MORE NO MATTER WHAT'S IN STORE  
YOU'LL ALWAYS BE THE FATHER I LOVE AND ADORE!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. A.', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

THANKS

THANKS FOR ALL THE THINGS YOU DO  
AND DEALING WITH EVERYTHING WE PUT YOU THROUGH  
THANKS FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING  
AND GIVING US ALL A LEG TO STAND ON  
THROUGH YOUR STRENGTH AND COMPASSION  
YOU SHOW THE WORLD VALUES  
WE ALL COULD PASS ON  
FROM THE HEART AND THROUGH THE LIPS  
WE THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU DO  
BUT MOST OF ALL  
THANKS FOR JUST BEING YOU!

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WE ALWAYS FIGHT

WAR AND PEACE ARE ALWAYS IN PLACE  
BUT ONE CAN'T OCCUPY THE OTHER ONES SPACE  
WE SEE IT HAPPEN ALL THE TIME  
WE BECOME COMPLACENT AND BORE WITH OUR LIVES  
SO WE START UP AN ARGUMENT AND FUEL IT WITH LIES  
DOES ANYONE CARE ABOUT THE INNOCENT LIVES  
BEFORE WE KNOW IT THE WORLDS GONE WILD  
AND WE TELL OUR LOVED ONES WE'LL BE GONE FOR AWHILE  
WE UNLOAD THE ARMED FORCES AND HOPE WE PREVAIL  
IT'S NOT IN OUR NATURE TO EVEN CONSIDER WE'LL FAIL  
IT DOESN'T REALLY MATTER WHO STARTED IT ALL  
ALL OUR TROOPS KNOW IS THEY ANSWERED THE CALL  
THE SOLDIERS THEY LIVE TO HONOR THE CODE  
THEY MARCH INTO BATTLE AND DO AS THEY'RE TOLD  
AS THE BATTLES ARE FOUGHT AND THE DUST SETTLES NEAR  
THE SOLDIERS SHOUT AND CELEBRATE IN CHEER  
KNOWING THAT THIS BATTLES END GROWS NEAR  
ON THEIR WAY WAY HOME WITH SMILES ON THEIR FACES  
ANTICIPATING SOFT KISSES AND THOSE LOVING EMBRACES  
BACK TO THE GRIND OF THEIR EVERYDAY LIVES  
WITH A FEELING OF SATISFACTION DEEP INSIDE  
FEET PLANTED SOUNDLY ON THEIR HOME SOIL  
PRAYING THERE WILL BE NO MORE WARS  
OVER SOMEONE ELSE'S OIL!

  
11/25/11

TODAY'S WOMEN

I'M TIRED OF DATING THESE WOMEN WITH NOTHING  
NO JOB NO MONEY NO HOME NO LIFE  
LOOKING FOR A MAN WITH MONEY TO MARRY  
AND TAKE ALL HIS STUFF BEFORE HE'S BURIED  
THEY MAY BE BEAUTIFUL SEXY AND SLEEK  
BUT THEY'LL PICK YOUR POCKET WHILE KISSING YOUR CHEEK  
THEY KNOW AT A GLANCE YOUR FINANCIAL WORTH  
THE HIGHER YOUR DOLLARS THE HIGHER THEIR SKIRTS  
BEFORE YOU GIVE THEM THE TIME OF DAY  
SHOW THEM A PRE-NUPT AND THEY'LL RUN AWAY  
NOW IF YOUR LOOKING FOR JUST A QUICK THROW  
THESE ARE THE GIRLS YOU WANT TO KNOW  
IF THEY BELIEVE THEY CAN GET YOUR MONEY  
THEN AS QUICK AS CAN BE YOU'LL BE THEIR HONEY  
WITHIN THE FIRST HOUR THEY'LL CHEW YOU UP  
GOING FOR GLORY IN THE BACK OF YOUR TRUCK  
YOU CAN'T EVER PIPE THEM AND KNOCK THEM UP  
OR THE NEXT 18 YEARS YOU'LL BE STUCK  
THESE MONEY HUNGRY WOMEN JUST DON'T CARE  
IT'S YOUR DOLLARS THEY WANT TO PAY FOR THEIR HAIR  
LOOKS DON'T MATTER OR THE SIZE OF YOUR PIECE  
TRUST ME THEY'LL SCREAM LIKE GODZILLA'S BETWEEN THE SHEETS  
FOR THE RIGHT MONEY YOU'LL LOOK LIKE BRAD PITT  
OR LEONARDO DECAPRIO IF THAT'S YOUR PICK  
TRUST ME ON THIS WHEN THE BRAINS ALL DONE  
THROW AWAY THAT NUMBER AND CUT AND RUN  
SHE MAY LOOK LIKE A STAR WITH VACUUM TALENT  
TILL SHE SUCKS OUT YOUR SOUL AND SCREWS YOUR ACCOUNTANT!



## SOMETHING HAS TO CHANGE

WHAT KIND OF A WORLD DO WE LIVE IN  
WHERE PEOPLE CAN STEAL THE INNOCENCE OF OUR CHILDREN  
WHEN THE SYSTEM CAN CALL PEDOPHILES PERVERSE AND SICK  
AND THEN LET THEM OFF WITH A SLAP ON THE WRIST  
DOESN'T IT MAKE YOU INSANE AND FURIOUS INSIDE  
WHEN WE HAVE TO LISTEN TO THOSE POOR CHILDREN CRY  
KNOWING THAT THERE WILL BE NO JUSTICE DONE  
WHILE THE NUMBERS STEADILY CLIMB OF MORE VICTIMS  
I DON'T CARE IF THESE MONSTERS ARE SICK  
WE SHOULD SEND THEM ALL TO THE DEVILS PITS  
OUR ONLY RESPONSIBILITY TO OUR CHILDREN LIES  
IN PROTECTING THEIR INNOCENCE WITH OUR LIVES  
IF SOMEONE MANAGES TO STEAL THAT FROM US  
THEY'VE BROKEN AND SEVERED A SACRED PARENTAL TRUST  
OUR CHILDREN WILL NEVER AGAIN LOOK AT US THE SAME  
FOR NOW WE ARE ALSO PARTLY TO BLAME  
FOREVER SCARRED BY THESE UN-SPEAKABLE ACTS  
THEN FORCED TO RELIEVE THEM THROUGH TRIAL PERHAPS  
WE CAN NEVER IMAGINE THE HORRORS THEY ENDURED  
OR KNOW THEIR THOUGHTS AS THEY FACE THEIR TORTURER  
IT HAPPENS ALL TOO OFTEN IN THIS STATE WE LIVE IN  
WHERE THESE CRETINS DON'T EVEN GO TO PRISON  
THEIR DIAGNOSIS IS LAME, WEAK, AND UNGODLY  
THEY HAVE A SICKNESS OF MIND OR WEREN'T RAISED PROPERLY  
DO YOU THINK THOSE EXCUSES MATTER TO OUR CHILDREN  
WHO MIGHT WALK BY THIS MONSTER THAT MOLESTED THEM  
A SIMPLE PASSING OR CHANCE MEETING ON THE STREET  
WILL BRING TEARS AND NIGHTMARES TO A CHILD FOR WEEKS  
THEY MAY VERY WELL NEVER RECOVER FROM THIS  
AND MIGHT END UP DOING THE SAME TO OTHER KIDS  
LET'S NOT FORGET THERE ARE PARENTS INVOLVED  
WHO FEEL EVERY BIT OF THEIR CHILDS PAIN AND LOSS

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FATHERS I THINK FEEL JUST AS VIOLATED  
THEIR JOB AS PROTECTOR HAS JUST BEEN NEGATED  
WE ARE THE ONES WHO SHOW THE MOST ANGER  
IT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO KEEP YOU FROM DANGER  
OUR INITIAL REACTION IS MURDEROUSLY VINDICTIVE  
UNTIL WE REALIZE OUR CHILDREN WILL NEED US TO GO ON LIVING  
THE MOTHERS ARE DIFFERENT AND HIDE THEIR RAGE WELL  
THEY SMOTHER WITH LOVE AND GUIDE BACK TO HEALTH  
THE STRENGTH OF A ROCK IN FRONT OF HER CHILD  
BUT ALONE WITH HER THOUGHTS THE FEELINGS RUN WILD  
EVENTUALLY NOTHING CAN STOP THE TEARS FROM FALLING  
EXCEPT FOR THE CRY OF HER FRIGHTENED CHILD CALLING  
LETS BE HONEST AND TRUTHFUL FOR A MOMENT  
THERES NOTHING WE CAN DO BUT SIT AND ENDURE IT  
WE HAVE TO TRUST IN THIS BACKWARD JUDICIAL SYSTEM  
TO CHARGE AND ARREST AND HOPEFULLY CONVICT THEM  
YET THE SENTENCES THAT THESE MONSTERS RECEIVE  
ARE NO DETERRENT SO WHAT DOES IT ACHIEVE  
THEY'VE RUINED A CHILDS LIFE SO LETS TAKE THEIRS  
BEFORE THEY START VICTIMIZING CHILDREN IN PAIRS  
IF THIS IS A SICKNESS THAT HAS NO CURE  
WHAT THE HELL ARE WE RELEASING THESE INGRATES FOR  
PEDOPHILES SHOULD ALL GET SENTENCES THAT START WITH 20  
AND HAVE VISIBLE SIGNS SOCIETY WON'T IGNORE LIGHTLY  
CHEMICAL CASTRATION --- SO THOSE PARTS DON'T WORK  
CHOP OFF THEIR HANDS SO THEIR TOUCH COMES UP SHORT  
WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING TO ALL THIS SLIME  
SINCE THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM WON'T HAND OUT THE TIME  
WE HAVE TO PROTECT OUR CHILDREN AND LET THEIR INNOCENCE GROW  
AND WE CAN'T DO THAT WITH THESE MONSTERS BEING LET GO!



SO WHAT

SO WHAT WOULD YOU GUESS IS ON MY MIND  
WHILE I SIT HERE UNWILLINGLY DOING THIS TIME  
SECONDS TICK AND MINUTES FLY ALL SPENT WONDERING  
WHY WHY WHY WHY WHY

SO WHAT IF SAID I HAVE NO SHAME  
WHEN I SPIT AND CURSE YOUR FAMILY NAME  
I SPEND DAYS IN MADNESS LOST IN RAGE  
NONE OF WHICH CAN BE CONTAINED BY THIS CAGE

SO WHAT IF YOU HEARD I WAS SUDDENLY CUT LOOSE  
FREE OF MY BONDS AND FREE OF THE NOOSE  
WALKING OUT OF JAIL AS EASY AS CAN BE  
NO PAROLE OR PROBATION TO SUPERVISE ME

SO WHAT IF YOU KNEW I WAS COMING BACK HOME  
DO YOU THINK I HAVE VISIONS OF VENGEANCE ALONE  
WAYS TO TORTURE, MAIM, AND KILL  
ALWAYS SMILING WHILE ENVISIONING YOUR BLOOD SPILL

SO WHAT DO YOU THINK I SHOULD DO  
WHEN IT COMES TO MATTERS BETWEEN ME AND YOU  
SMILE AND FORGET IT, THINGS HAPPEN IN LIFE  
ACT LIKE WE'RE FRIENDS WHILE EYEING YOUR WIFE

SO WHAT IF IT'S ALL OVER, SAID AND DONE  
THESE YEARS I'VE LOST BEHIND A LOOSE TONGUE  
MEAN NOTHING TO YOU WHO'S BEEN LIVING A LIE  
SITTING BY WATCHING MY FAMILY WITHER AND DIE

SO WHAT IF I CAN NEVER FORGIVE YOU  
FOR THESE THINGS THAT I'VE BEEN PUT THROUGH  
ALL THE HURT YOU KNEW WOULD COME  
NO MATTER WHAT, CAN NEVER BE UNDONE

SO WHAT DO YOU SAY WHEN OUR PATHS FINALLY CROSS  
WILL YOU BE DUMB-FOUNDED , WORDS AT A LOSS  
SORRY DOESN'T CUT IT AFTER ALL THESE YEARS  
I WON'T BE HAPPY UNTIL I SEE YOU IN TEARS

SO WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN THAT DAY COMES  
MAYBE YOU'LL BE SMART AND TRY TO RUN  
BUT IF YOU DECIDE TO STAND AND FIGHT  
I HOPE YOU SAID YOUR PRAYERS LAST NIGHT!

  
5/18/14

A NEW PASSIVE ME

THEY CAN'T KEEP ME HERE FOREVER  
MY SPIRIT WON'T BEND OR BREAK NEVER  
DRESS US ALL IN THE SAME STATE BROWNS  
THEN CONTINUALLY TRY TO PUSH US AROUND  
YOU SCREAM AND SHOUT AND FLAP YOUR GUMS  
KNOWING THAT YOUR BACK-UP WILL SURELY COME  
I KNOW YOUR JUST TRYING TO MAKE ME MAD  
YOU WANT A REACTION GOOD OR BAD  
TO YOU THIS IS JUST SOME PERVERSE FUN  
AT THE EXPENSE OF A CONVICTED NO-ONE  
I BALL UP MY FISTS AND CLOSE MY EYES  
AND TRY TO REPRESS THIS RAGE INSIDE  
MY DEMONS ARE CRAWLING TO THE SURFACE  
AND YOUR PROVOKING THE EVIL ON PURPOSE  
IF YOU ONLY KNEW THE CONSEQUENCES  
OF WHAT COULD HAPPEN BY YOUR CONDESCENSION  
CALMING BREATHES DO NOTHING TO SOOTHE  
THIS BLINDING FURY THAT IS FOCUSED ON YOU  
I CAN PICTURE IT ALL HAPPENING IN MY MIND  
WHAT I'LL DO TO YOU IF GIVEN THE TIME  
YOUR BOYS ARE COMING AND THIS I KNOW  
MAYBE IT'S TIME FOR ME TO PUT ON A SHOW  
SEE HOW MANY OF YOU I CAN PUT UNDER  
BEFORE I'M OVERWHELMED BY YOUR NUMBERS  
ALL THIS FLASHES THROUGH MY MIND  
THEN I'M BROUGHT BACK TO CURRENT TIME  
RELAX MY FISTS AND OPEN MY EYES  
SOME THINGS AREN'T WORTH IT I REALIZE  
YOU CAN PUSH MY BUTTONS ALL YOU PLEASE  
YOUR IGNORANCE WON'T GET A REACTION FROM ME  
TRY TO HUMILIATE ME WHILE YOU CAN  
IN THE END I'LL STILL WALK OUT A MAN  
WHATEVER PRISON NUMBER I MAY HAVE HAD  
SHOULD REALLY BE GIVEN TO SOME OF THE STAFF  
I KNOW I'VE LIVED AND LEARNED MY LESSION  
I WON'T BE BACK FOR ANOTHER SESSION!



## YOUR DECISION

HAVE YOU EVER SEEN A MAN HANG FROM THE GALLOWES  
HE SWINGS AND HE SWAYS AND MAY DANGLE FOR HOURS  
ONCE HIS NECK SNAPS HIS BOWELS WILL RELEASE  
WE CAN SMELL HIS URINE AND THE STENCH OF FECES  
MARCHING TO THE TUNE OF A FIRING SQUAD  
SOLDIERS LINE UP ALL ACROSS THE YARD  
HAND THEM THEIR POWDER AND BALLS OF LEAD  
AIM CENTER MASS OR JUST SHOOT FOR THE HEAD  
STRAPPED TO A CHAIR WITH A LOOK OF DISPAIR  
WE'LL SOON KNOW THE SMELL OF HIS BURNING HAIR  
ELECTRICAL CURRENTS MAKE HIS EYEBALLS EXPLODE  
THOSE WITH WEAK STOMACHES WILL RUN FOR COMMODES  
TIED TO A TREE FOR EVERYONE TO SEE  
THOSE WITH STRONG ARMS WILL THROW AND HEAVE  
STONES OF ALL SIZES LEAVE THE SAME COLOR WELTS  
WHO KNOWS HOW MANY HE REALLY FELT  
IN THIS DAY AND AGE WE'RE MORE DIGNIFIED  
LAY DOWN ON THIS COT IT'S YOUR TURN TO DIE  
STARE IN YOUR EYES AS THE NEEDLE SLIDES IN  
GO TO SLEEP FOR AWHILE NEVER TO WAKE AGAIN  
NO MATTER HOW WE CHOOSE TO SAY IT  
CAPITOL PUNISHMENT IS TRULY ARCHAIC  
WHO DECIDES WHO LIVES AND WHO DIES  
WHO PRETENDS TO CONTROL THE FATE OF THOSE LIVES  
SHOULD WE STAND IN JUDGEMENT OF OTHERS  
WITH OUR SKELETONS BURIED IN CLOSETS UNDERCOVER  
IF YOU THREW THE FIRST OF THOSE STONES  
WOULD YOU THEN VOLUNTEER TO BURY THE BONES  
COULD YOU STAND THERE AND TIGHTEN THE NOOSE  
WHEN THE SAME COULD SOMEHOW HAPPEN TO YOU  
WHAT IF YOU HAD TO STAND AND SHOOT ALONE  
COULD YOU KILL A MAN AND THEN JUST GO HOME  
THE DOCTORS SAY THEY'RE JUST DOING THEIR JOBS  
SOMEHOW THEY MUST BELIEVE THEY'RE PLAYING GOD  
EVEN JUST PUSHING THE NEEDLE IN  
SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY GOD A SIN  
IT'S A SHAME WE LIVE IN SUCH HIPOCRISY  
WHERE WE BELIEVE THAT DEATH IS UP TO YOU AND ME  
WE RAISE OUR VOICES AND CALL FOR JUSTICE  
EVEN THOUGH IT CONCERNS NONE OF US  
DO YOU THINK YOU'D BE SO QUICK TO ACT  
IF IT WAS YOUR LOVED ONE WE ATTACKED  
FOR EVERY SOUL WE CONSIGN TO DIE  
THERE'S A HUNDRED MORE ASKING WHY  
SHOULD WE CONTINUE KILLING THESE PEOPLE  
THAT OTHERS HAVE DECIDED MAY BE EVIL  
IT'S A PERSONAL CHOICE WE ALL SHOULD MAKE  
BUT CAPITOL PUNISHMENT I JUST CAN'T TAKE!

SUCH A WOMAN

I'VE NEVER SEEN A WOMAN QUITE LIKE THIS  
AND I'VE SEEN MANY IN MY LIFE I GUESS  
WOMEN OF ALL COLOR, SHAPE, AND STATURE  
BUT NEVER ONE WHO'S HAD ME SO ENRAPTURED  
HOW COULD I ALLOW THIS TO HAPPEN  
MY LIFE PLAN WAS TO AVOID BEING CAPTURED  
I ALWAYS ENJOYED MY FLEETING CONQUESTS  
THEN QUICKLY MOVING ON TO THE NEXT  
NEVER INVOLVING MY HEART, IT'S TRUE  
UNTIL THE DAY WHEN I LAID EYES ON YOU  
FROM THE VERY FIRST MOMENT I KNEW I WAS DONE  
JUST THAT QUICK GLIMPSE SAID YOU WERE THE ONE  
THE VERY SIGHT OF YOU MAKES MY HEART STOP  
MY LEGS WON'T MOVE AND MY MOUTH JUST DROPPED  
I WASN'T SURE I'D KNOW WHAT TO SAY  
HOW COULD I APPROACH YOU AND MAKE YOU STAY  
WITH BEAUTY LIKE YOURS I KNOW YOUR TAKEN  
THESE STIRRINGS INSIDE MAKE THE RISK WORTH TAKING  
HOPING YOU LOOK IN MY DIRECTION AND BAT THOSE EYES  
KNOWING IF YOU WALKED AWAY I'D SURELY DIE  
I HAVE TO KNOW YOUR NAME AT LEAST  
SO I HAVE SOMETHING TO CRY OUT IN MY SLEEP  
IT'S ONLY BEEN MOMENTS OR SO I GATHER  
AND IN THOSE MOMENTS MY LIFE'S COME UNRAVELED  
MY HEART IS BEATING IN MY CHEST  
A FEELING THAT I'VE NEVER NOTICED  
SHOULD BY SOME MIRACULOUS CHANCE  
YOU HAPPEN TO NOTICE ME WITH A SIDEWAYS GLANCE  
MY NERVES ARE ON EDGE I'M EMBARRASSED TO SAY  
BUT MY EYES WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO LOOK AWAY  
IF I'M TO LOVE STRUCK TO MENTION MY NAME  
PLEASE DON'T LOOK UPON ME IN SHAME  
I'VE NEVER KNOWN A WOMAN QUITE LIKE YOU  
AND AT THE MOMENT I'M UNSURE JUST WHAT TO DO!

  
6/19/74

SLOW DOWN WOMAN

I CAN TRY TO SAY WE NEVER MATTERED  
TRUTH IS WHEN IT ENDED I WAS SHATTERED  
WHAT I THOUGHT WAS REAL AND WHOLE  
TURNED OUT TO BE ALL JUST A SHOW  
MOMENTS TOGETHER FOREVER BURNED AND BRANDED  
PRECIOUS PARTS OF MY HEART LEFT STRANDED  
FROM OUR FIRST MINUTE TO ALMOST OUR LAST  
YOU COULD MAKE MY HEART LEAP FROM MY CHEST  
ALL THOSE THINGS WE SHARED MEAN NOTHING NOW  
WHILE PICTURES OF YOU LIE BURNING IN A PILE  
TO SAY THAT YOU'VE HURT ME THE MOST  
JUST ISN'T ENOUGH AND DOESN'T COME CLOSE  
MOST PEOPLE SAY YOU'LL RECOVER SOME DAY  
THERE WILL BE ANOTHER TO LOVE THE SAME WAY  
THE SCARS ON MY HEART WILL EVENTUALLY HEAL  
AND SOMEDAY I'LL ONCE AGAIN BE ABLE TO FEEL  
IT MAY TAKE A MONTH, A YEAR, OR EVEN TWO  
THESE FEELINGS WILL FADE THAT BELONG TO YOU  
LETS BE HONEST AND SPEAK THE TRUTH  
NO-ONE CAN MEASURE UP TO THE GOOD PARTS OF YOU  
IF YOU STOP THE LYING, CHEATING, AND CONNIVING  
YOU COULD FIND A MAN WHO WOULD PUT THE TIME IN  
RUNNING THROUGH LIFE AND RUNNING THROUGH MEN  
CAN NOT BE THE LIFE YOU ONCE IMAGINED  
I STILL SEE THE WOMAN THAT COULD BE YOU  
BUT FOR THE RECORD WE'LL ALWAYS BE THROUGH  
BEFORE YOU CHASE AWAY SOME MORE GOOD MEN  
SLOW DOWN AND TAKE A LONG LOOK WITHIN  
THERE'S A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN TRAPPED DEEP INSIDE  
WHO DREAMS OF ESCAPING TO A WONDERFUL LIFE!



TOGETHER  
(intended for song)

WELL HERE WE ARE, JUST ME AND YOU  
ALONE AT LAST, JUST US TWO  
TOGETHER WE'LL FLY ABOVE THE CLOUDS  
TOGETHERS THE ONLY WAY WE'LL COME DOWN  
HAND IN HAND WE'LL CROSS THE LINE  
EACH OF US WILL READ THE OTHERS MIND  
WE'LL KNOW WHAT WE WANT AND WE'LL KNOW WHAT TO DO  
THE TIME HAS COME FOR JUST ME AND YOU  
EVERYBODY ELSE JUST FADES IN THE BLUE  
BUT YOU AND I ARE THE ONLY ONES TRUE  
**BROUGHT TOGETHER BY FATE AND CHANCE**  
**NOW LOOK AT OUR BEAUTIFUL ROMANCE**  
AS LONG AS I LOVE YOU AND YOU LOVE ME  
WE'LL LIVE TOGETHER FOREVER HAPPILY  
**BROUGHT TOGETHER BY FATE AND CHANCE**  
**NOW LOOK AT OUR BEAUTIFUL ROMANCE**  
A WHITE PICKET FENCE SURROUNDED BY TREES  
A NICE LITTLE PUPPY JUST FOR YOU AND ME  
A FAMILY OF FOUR AND MAYBE ONE MORE  
WHO COULD ASK FOR ANYTHING MORE  
**BROUGHT TOGETHER BY FATE AND CHANCE**  
**NOW LOOK AT OUR BEAUTIFUL ROMANCE**  
AS LONG AS I LOVE YOU AND YOU LOVE ME  
WE'LL LIVE TOGETHER FOREVER HAPPILY  
WE'LL LIVE TOGETHER FOREVER HAPPILY!

