

Dischord – In Passing

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In Passing...

In passing you on the street,
I take no time to care.
Just a cross-eyed blank look,
too shy to stare.

In passing, my thoughts,
I leave them for you.
To do as I have done,
to change a point-of-view.

In passing, these songs
will stay relatively the same.
They're a snapshot of the heart
from which they came

In passing on the street
I hope we may trade a smile.
For friendship means everything
to this grown-up child.

The Night (Watts/Heckeler)

The night has a mind all of its own
Leads you to nowhere, takes you home
Tonight has a mind all of its own
Dangers too great to freely roam

Sometimes from the darkness
Scurries and ounce of serenity
But sometimes comes a flurry
Of unrelenting insanity

Where you meet the night
As the roaches prick and play
And ghosts steal the day
Under incandescent light

*Trapped under a blanket
It's hard to make a sound
Watching so helplessly
As the world – it fumbles round*

In the night time, in the city
You can lose almost anybody
Ungiving of forgiveness
Mindless of your business
Hide, hurry, run, scurry
Chaos nearly all around
The beast's fury bleeds
Something for nothing
As the night falls

The night has a mind all of its own
Leads you to somewhere but takes you alone
Tonight has a mind all of its own
Pleasures too great to travel home

Sometimes from the darkness
Scurries an ounce of hostility
But sometimes comes a flurry
Of unrelenting tranquility

*Where you meet the night
As the ghosts prick the day
Roaches steal you away
Between fluorescent lights*

*Trapped under a blanket
It's hard to make a sound
Watching so helplessly
As the world – it fumbles round*

Gal Misery (Watts)

Another year gone by
Nothing's really changed this time

Hope fades into heartache
Heartache fades into Auld Ang Syne

I'm being bullied by Father Time
There's really no reason to wind my mind
Smiling horses run to place
Thinning dogs spin in haste
And I stand up shouting - sweaty and proud
Going through the motions like the rest of the crowd
And I behold the Angel sitting next to me
She's my one true love – my gal Misery

*She's my gal Misery
And she's holding onto me – for dear love
She's my gal Misery
And even though I say it's over
She says I'm the one
My gal Misery*

Another year gone by
Nothing's really changed for me

I wake up every single day
Next to my gal Misery

She fills my days with happiness and tears
And she's stuck right beside me through the years
It's all because of my sweet gal
That I notice that the sunshine is my new pal
The world tastes sweeter when she's not around
And the up is so much better when she brings me down
And I kneel to this Goddess that truly makes me see
How awful life would be without my Misery

*She's my gal Misery
And she's holding onto me – for dear love
She's my gal Misery
And even though I say it's over
She says I'm the one
My gal Misery*

Broadway Faces (Heckeler)

Empty carton of eggs
Streets cry of no relief
Trash clutters these hollow streets
That hate the sun, faces that stink

Some pause in excitement
Then fade in dusty-rain
Others just pass in pondering
That silences the day's pains

Broadway faces
Ugly places
Winless races
Broadway faces

More listen differently
Eyes of wanting degree
Hope grasping to hollow dreams
That pray of silence, places of ease

But still I cannot believe
Forgive these things invisibly
Want for them what I want for me
Broadway faces of dignity

Broadway faces
Ugly places
Winless races
Broadway faces

Trash clutters these hollow streets
Hope grasping to hollow dreams
Broadway faces invisibly

The World (Watts)

Casey was an All-American mid-western girl
Said in the seventh grade she wanted to see the world
Cute little lady in pig-tails and a smile
But little Casey was only a kid for a while

She was a high school hotty - the boys went nuts
They knew how to talk to those high school sluts
They sought her out those horny boys-to-men
Told her she'd be nothing if she didn't sleep with them

How innocent, how cruel
Little Casey dropped out of school
She gave, they robbed
Daddy insistent she get a job

An actress and a star
Little Casey is sure to go far
The corner, a pity
Just another paid lay in New York City

Casey's on the street corner trying to pay the bills
Fat old men with wallets the same trying to get their thrills
Twenty-five to go down and one humored for it all
Casey cries while the fat man drives but he doesn't need a car

It's all lost, oh how sad
All that beauty little Casey once had
There's no chance and there's no prayer
While little Casey is forced to lie there

They stare straight down
Because this woman has been around
The dream lost, the dream curtailed
Casey's Hollywood dreams have failed

Cause little Casey wanted to see the world
Little Casey wanted to see the world
How little Casey wanted to see the world
Little Casey wanted to see the world

Lifted (Heckeler)

I've been counting
All of my faults
Or have you
Already for me

I hang
My arms outstretched
To be
Your witness

*Nail me to your cause
Nail me to your cause*

I've been planning
All of my days
Or have you
Numbered them for me

You give
And nobody stays
To live
As our witness

*Nail me for the hell of it
Nail me to your cause*

Little (Watts)

A first heart beat heard
A smile on a face
The closeness of embrace
She was there as it all occurred
(And she cried)

The day came like any other
The traffic an awful hell
And the little child fell
A tearful screaming mother
(When he died)

Little trooper
Mommies pal
Little baby
Her constant tail
Little trooper
Little man
Mommies baby
In His hands

She really wanted more for him
Maybe to have his own dream
And it shatters with her scream
And the son begins to dim
(And gets cold)

She saw his little body
Lying lonely in the street
And she began to weep
Just wanting to flee
(But on she will hold)

Little trooper
Mommies pal
Little baby
Her constant tail
Little trooper
Little man
Mommies baby
In His hands

Fade (Watts)

When the lights go down on me
When the lives float fast away

I'll run to the sky and fly away
So the lights can't darken on me

I remember so many times ago
When all our paths crossed

And I'll make a promise now
And never let anyone know

All those treasure boxes filled with everything
Have a key that can't be ever found again
No matter the search
The truth it always hurts
Things will never be the same again

When the lights go down on me
When the lives float fast away
I'll run to the sky
And I'll fly away

But the darkness is
Yes the darkness is
Bound to catch me
It is bound to catch me

Reaching Away (Watts/Heckeler)

Reaching for the sky
Finding a ceiling in its place
A policeman in your face
And you slip away

Bring the downer down
Relax tonight in laughter
Tomorrow comes ever-after
And you slip away

And you slip
And you slip away
And you slip
And you slip away

Fortify Hell's claim
Cracked in your rotten shell
Trap the remains of yourself
And you slip away

We've all got this feeling
We all know this feeling
This feeling we can be free

And you slip
And you slip away
And you slip
And you slip away

Reaching for the sky
Just take the time to stay
Reaching far away

Before you slip
Before you slip away
Before you slip
Before you slip away

What Mom Wanted

Going astray
Take a little trip with me tonight

Travel this way
Make the time to open up your mind

What day is today
I've got no idea
What should I do
Sit and vegetate
Why do they stare
There's nothing wrong with you
What'd I just say
I've got no clue

*Take it all in stride
So I can go outside and hide
Inside life's little ecstasy
Just the life mom wanted for me*

Nothing today
Just the leprechauns and the mice

Coming to stay
Close the cobwebs and open up your eyes
What day is today
I've got no idea
What should I do
Sit and vegetate
Why do they stare
There's nothing wrong with you
What'd I just say
I've got no clue

*Take it all in stride
Let's all get high and go for a ride
Inside life's little ecstasy
Just the life mom wanted for me*

Going astray
Running away
There's a hammer and some glass
And we're inside quite fast
There's a flashlight on for a midnight raid
Then we're to the corner for an even trade

*Take it all in stride
This stereo gets us off nine times
Inside life's little ecstasy
Just the life mom wanted for me*

Landscape of My Mind (Watts)

In the foreground is a meadow
A blossoming field of color
In the background is a carnival
People shout at one another

But in between is the gray
A vast sea of uncertainty
And the future fades away
Like the words from a page

*Is there too much more to find
In the landscapes of my mind
Where there is no peace
No insanity is to cease
In the landscapes of my mind*

To either side are the children
Where their innocence flickers away
They do not see my pain
They just insistently stay

Where silence is a void
And smiles are slit in a throat
When the smiling became annoyed
They never smiled and never spoke

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In the landscapes of my mind
Where there is no peace
No insanity is to cease
In the landscapes of my mind*

Take It or Leave It (Watts)

The two of us alone caressing
Close my eyes in hopes of resting
Settled in your constant high
Hello, how are you, please stay awhile

Monday morning – the sun's out today
All the worker bees – they come out and play
In my bedroom with the shades drawn
Roll over to find that Kelly is gone

She said
Take it or leave it
I didn't know what to say
Take it or leave it
With a hurt look on her face
Take it or leave it
And I just wanted to laugh
Take it leave it
Why'd she say that

Saturday morning – it's coming down today
A girl lying next to me – oh what is her name
She wants to kiss me – I just turn my head
As quickly as possible I get out of bed

She said
Take it or leave it
And I knew just what to say
Take it or leave it
In this casual courting game
Take it or leave it
And she really moved fast
Take it leave it
Why did I do that

The fear of us – alone obsessing
Close my eyes in fear of resting
Settle down with this constant high
Hello, how are you, don't love you, goodbye

Friday evening – to a bar tonight
I see Kelly and she's looking quite alright
Tell her I love her and that's a fact
And I ask Kelly to take me back

She said
I think I'll leave it
I didn't know what to say
Take it or leave it
With a hurt look on my face
Take it or leave it
Kelly's about to laugh
Take it leave it
Why did she say that

This fear of me – alone, confessing
Close my eyes in hopes of resting
Unsettled now with this constant ride
Hello, how are you, forget us, goodbye

Tonight (Watts)

Take a look at me tonight
There's something I don't know
What could I be tonight
I just won't let it go

Please take a look at me
Tonight

What did you see tonight
When a face seldom lies
Could it be me tonight
My history is no surprise

You didn't want me
Tonight

*Is there anything else I can do
Is there anything else I can say
Are there anymore lies I can tell
Just so you'll look my way*

I've found part of me tonight
It's all part of the plan
I've found honesty tonight
Slowing where I once ran

The truth is what you see
Tonight

*Is there anything else I won't do
Is there anything else I won't say
Are there anymore lies I won't tell
Just so you'll look away*

Tonight

Get A Life (Heckeler)

Plug yourself in

It's a lifelike adventure
At your fingertips
A by the hour mind trip
To make you spin
To make you spin

A concert of artillery
To make you sick
An escape from reality
At an awesome clip
An awesome clip

*Stop the bullshit
Try reality for a ride
Get a life*

Hours gone in frames
Days go by in fractals
Minutes escape
Into a lifeline modem

Twelve days of Quake
Computer addicts gone mad
Doesn't even phase 'em
And that's what makes it sad

*Stop the bullshit
Try reality for a ride
Get a life*

You just love the way that big gun makes you feel
A prototype of the perverse
A mockery of God's Universe
So sad
So glad
I'm not you

*Get a clue
Get livin' or get dyin'
Get a life*

Times Square Big Screen T.V. (Heckler)

Answers are repetition, heroes hooked on television
We look for it in their flesh, disappointed in the rest
Nothing found, nothing returned
Victims of ridicule and scorn

Faceless actors, pen names
Placing the blame won't ease their pain
Rearranging – the same's the same
Changing the station is not a change

Modern martyr, lost to chasing a dressing room cause
Warriors facing the misguided protest of applause
Nation lands witness to a civilizations fall

Faceless actors, pen names
Placing the blame won't ease their pain
Rearranging – the same's the same
Changing the station is not a change

Suburban Irish Melody (Watts)

I arrived in '72
A red haired kid
With baby blues
Grew up as an only child
A seven year itch
A tendency to be wild

Mom and dad divorced
When I was just eight
Years later a new man with
To cohabit

*Now I'm caught
In the middle
Of this power play
Something new
Nothing old should stay
Now I'm caught*

They married in '83
Two more kids
They forget me
Grew up as an only child
And I disappear
The past is denial

John and Mike are proof
Of a new beginning
Let's forget the past
Let's erase everything

*Now I'm caught
In the middle
Of this power play
Something new
Nothing old should stay
Now I'm caught*

I'm a reminder
Of a shaded past
And beginnings of everything
They cast us back

1:27 Monday Morning (Watts)

Drapes curl round the window pane
Dancing with the wind
Light plays on the empty white walls
The prophet speaks again

The heater gives no warm air
Yet the fan blows away
I know why he's arrived here
I wish he wouldn't stay

Don't scream
Don't fear
Don't cry
Daddy's here

Make him look the other way
While I cry aloud
Where's my favorite Teddy Bear
Why don't they hear the sound

The covers won't protect me
Nor will closing my eyes
The cold and penetrating probe
Can but can't be denied

Don't scream
Don't fear
Don't cry
The Monster's here

Don't scream
Don't fear
Don't cry
Daddy's here

The Sky is Falling (Watts)

The sun chases the moon into the darkness
Fearful creatures run and they hide
They stop the hunt to take a rest
While they sleep their fears subside

The One dictates all they could ever ponder
He protects them from themselves
And their thoughts will never ever wander
They feel safe within his cell

*The One says the sky is falling
And the One says the oceans are burning
And the One says we must serve him
And he will protect us*

They are afraid at the flicker of a flame
And the monsters that hide within
They serve him just the same
And they are all afraid of him

They hide within their marble white houses
And feel safe with the picture box
They salute whatever is his
And fail to notice all the locks

*The One says the sky is falling
And the One says the oceans are burning
And the One says we must serve him
And he will protect us*

No more family and no more friends
Happy memories come to an end
Night has fallen and people are scared
Everywhere you go you must be aware

*The One says the sky is falling
And the One says the oceans are burning
And the One says we must serve him
And he will protect us*

Uncle Sam (Watts)

The bombs bursting in air
When Uncle Sam sent me over there
Gave me a gun
And I never wanted to hurt anyone

I came home in late July
In uniform they hated every guy
Gave me a parade and they spit in my face
I wonder what happened to this place

Uncle Sam
Sent me to fight in Vietnam
Never went to school
So he sent me on a mission
Now I'm on the corner
Wishing he would listen

Give me a quarter oh please you snob
Not looking for a handout I just need a job
Oh Uncle Sammy what can I do
I'd be a millionaire if it wasn't for you

Uncle Sam
Sent me to fight in Vietnam
Never went to school
So he sent me on a mission
Now I'm on the corner
Wishing he would listen

Fireworks Day (Watts)

I see a parade procession downtown
An excuse to lay around
As they amble down the street
As they amble down the street

People go and take a ride
To migrate by the poolside
They sit in the heat
They sit in the heat

*It's the fourth
Independence Day
A celebration of the image
Of freedom
And the memory decays
No battle replays
On fireworks day*

I see lights exploding in the sky
The colors blossom in my eyes
And the people cheer
And the people cheer

I see a backyard celebration
A one day vacation
An excuse to drink beer
An excuse to drink beer

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