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song after song, year after year...a true workhorse

Dedications

This album is dedicated to Lisa, my better half, who listened to every bad note, every
weak word, and still believed in what I was searching for – that **ONE** moment of truth,
transcendence, and grace...jumping off the cliff and growing wings...

Infinity Reigns is dedicated to Neil Peart who inspired me to be the
most endangered species and find the honest words...

A Drop of Hope is dedicated to Malala, Girl Rising, and all who
support every person's right to be educated and free from oppression

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The Story of ONE

12 songs, 9 instruments, 420 final tracks, 745 channels mixed,
5 years, 211 GB of audio, 2920 million miles around the sun.
ONE writer, performer, producer, engineer...**ONE**

Who is in Infinity Reigns? I had hoped it would be a new band with a drummer, bass player, and myself. I was not planning for this to be a 'Me, Myself and I' project. But after a decade of holding auditions, and numerous failed starts, I decided to go it alone.

Is there really only one person on all of these songs? Yes, it's just me, except on My Tribe, where my family all sing in the intro section. All of the other vocals, instrument performances and arrangements were done by me.

Could you already play all the instruments? No, it took thousands of hours over a 3 year period to develop the abilities to compose drum and string parts, and improve my chops on bass playing and piano. I had already spent years singing and playing guitar.

Did you write all the music and lyrics? Yes. Some of the songs were written just for this album. Some of the songs started many moons ago and have gone through variations over the years as they were performed live and different recordings were made. They were all re-written for this album.

Who is Bunjo? Bunjo is a nickname given to me by my daughter when she was 3 years old. She was learning words for describing different sized things and excitedly said: "Oh so I'm small, mom's medium, and you're Bunjo!" She was trying to say I was "Jumbo" because I was so much bigger than she was.

How many roles did you have? I wore many hats on this project. I had originally hoped to hire a producer, and mix and mastering engineers, but I ended up taking on these roles. I had spent many years recording music, and even some time as a mastering engineer – But I still had much to learn to achieve the quality level my producer self was demanding.

What does a producer actually do? Why did the project take so long? I heard you also worked as an engineer? How can you perform parts in the song that are happening at the same time? Why were the original 2016 singles re-released in 2021? Is it true you got a brain tumor while working on ONE? Are there hi-resolution versions of the songs? For answers to these questions and more visit **www.InfinityReigns.band**

WELCOME TO THE SHOW

You want to hear the Truth?
Don't listen to me
Listen for yourself

Feeling like flying
Feeling like going somewhere
Come here to leave yourself behind
...Leave it behind

All I can say is you've found the right place
Come inside, sit down, change your face
How about a smile from you.....yeah!

Welcome to the Show
Welcome to the Show
Welcome to the Show

Feeling like drinking
Falling like thinking
Tripping right over here

Wishing you could fall
right from the sky

Into your chair
right over there...

Welcome to the Show
Welcome to the Show

So there you are
Walking down your street
And the Truth...

It's in the music that you seek

All I can say is I wish I was you
Sitting right here and taking in
all of the show
Feeding your soul...

Welcome to the Show
Welcome to the Show
Welcome to the Show

You want to hear the Truth?
Don't listen to me
Listen for yourself

AMERICA

There's a man wrapped in a flag
Telling me who I should be right now
...for America

He says what's wrong and what's right
He asks me to wrap myself real tight in the flag
...for America

I thought I knew
Who you were
Oh America!
What happened to you?

I thought I knew
Who you were
Oh America!
What happened to you?

There's a group wrapped in the flag
Telling me who I should be right now
...for America

Always find wrong with what's right
Tell me to wrap myself real tight
...for America

When I was young
I thought I knew you

Oh America!
What happened to you?

When I was young
I thought I knew you
Oh America!
What happened to you?

Some things can never be right
No matter how hard you try
...in America

We put up a good fight
And try to show the world what is right
...for America

When I was young
I thought I knew you
Oh America!
What happened to you?

When I was young
I thought I knew you
Oh America!
What happened to you?

Come back America...
Come back America...



INFINITY REIGNS

I walk outside and see the stars tonight
and I wonder where I am in life...
Where am I going?
Where have I been?

My life is a path
...I just don't understand

I walk down the street
and every eye I could meet is down....
Pointing away to the ground

The circus is far more real
than the life where we act the part

Generating images to move up the charts
Sell our souls to make a sound

It's a shame it closes our hearts
We're not here oh Lord, its just the reign,
reign, reign, reign down on me...

I used my mind in order to
open up my heart...
Saw no light just shadows
in the dark

The strange and the surreal
were all there to play their parts

I'm losing my mind
Oh Lord, just one day at a time
Is the world so normal
that I'm insane?

Every process is so insincere,
I just want to hear the reign...

It's a tear and a fear of
the time we wasted
But nothing lasts forever...
Except the Reign of Infinity
Except the Reign...



WHAT IF

Walked out in the road
Tired feet carrying a heavy load
The whole world I wander
Stuck in my head I ponder

What if life
had been something more?
What if I was the key
but never unlocked my own door?

What can be said of a tired wretch?
Living on the streets with no home, and no bed
We all have dreams
Even if it's just being fed

What if life
had been something more?
If my key was cracked
could I still open the door?

Let me open up the door...

What if death
was nothing more...
than returning the key
and returning the door...

The key is back on the shelf once more.



SORRY

I am sorry
I didn't mean to hurt you bad
If I could take it back
...I would

But I can't change the past
I have to let it go
...to its grave

There may be hard roads up ahead
And nightmares that fill you with dread
But I need you to know...

I am sorry...



CRAZY

If you could see
The broken half of me
Blown over like a tree in the wind

Then you could see
The leaves have all turned brown
And fallen away to the ground

Twisted branches
As far as you can see
That used to point to the sky
And it makes you cry

Crazy....
Is all that's happened to me
Crazy winds all around me

I can't believe
What I see...
The world has gotten so insane

What used to be
The joy of living
Has lost me in the maze
How can I escape?

Crazy...
It's all that happened to me

Crazy...
Is all that's happening to me
right now
right now

Crazy....
Followed me into this song
It's all that's happened to me

I guess you could say
I am better off this way
Because the world needs some crazy
And this sky of blue...



FALLEN ANGEL

You fell from grace such a long time ago
Wishing you were back there...in the stars

But now you're on ground,
and you're walking around
Just like everyone else

But you're not...the same
No you're not the same

Hide away
Find your place to be
Hide away

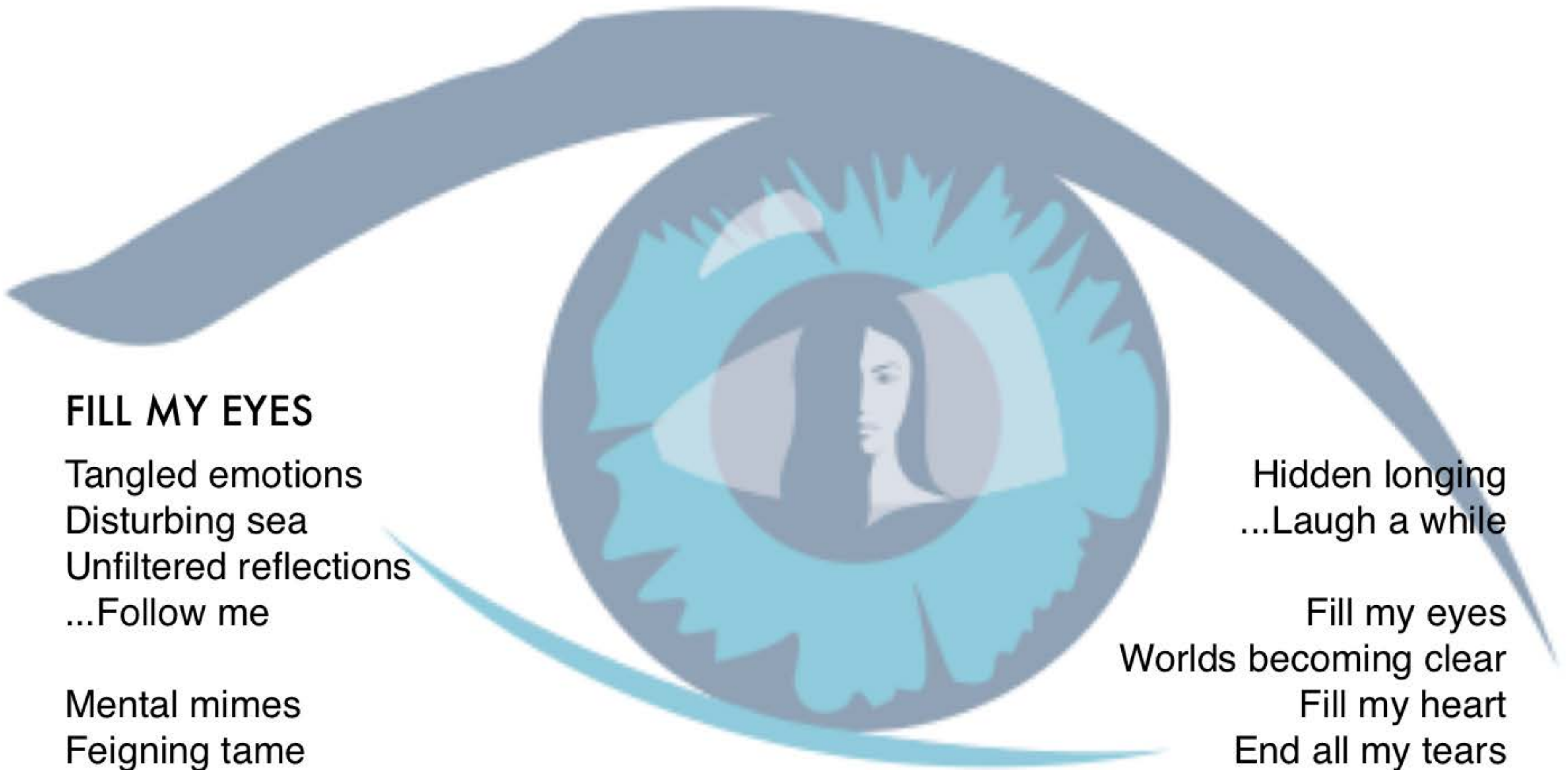
You hope no one can see...you

Why does it have to be so hard?
Just to be yourself
A fallen star...

Burning bright...
but all covered up

So no one sees you
So no one sees you

Waiting for wings to grow
Isn't so easy to do...



FILL MY EYES

Tangled emotions
Disturbing sea
Unfiltered reflections
...Follow me

Mental mimes
Feigning tame
Polluted tears
...Heavy rain

Fill my eyes
Worlds becoming clear
Fill my heart
End all my fears

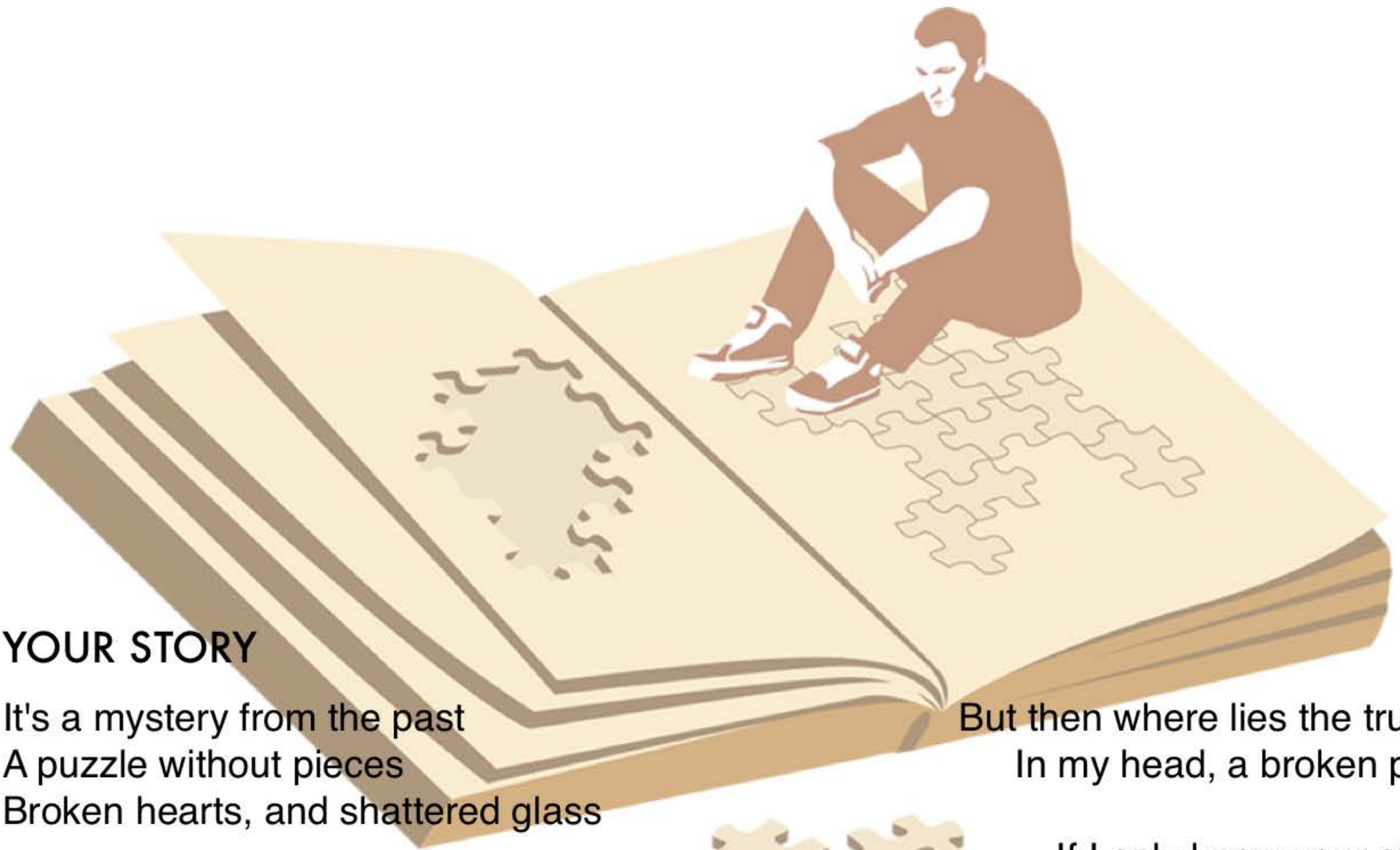
Unbalanced ripples
Secret smile

Hidden longing
...Laugh a while

Fill my eyes
Worlds becoming clear
Fill my heart
End all my tears

Bleeding heart
Open door but still locked
What do you want from me
that I haven't already tried?

Bleeding heart
Rose petal dreams are now gone
What do you want from me
that I haven't already given?



YOUR STORY

It's a mystery from the past
A puzzle without pieces
Broken hearts, and shattered glass

Once upon a time in a faraway place
There lived a person
Who struggled without grace
How....I wish I knew you

I wish I knew your story
Without it
I know nothing about you....now

And how many times
do we think we know?
The story...is untold

It's too easy to make assumptions

But then where lies the truth?
In my head, a broken past

If I only knew your story
For without it
I know nothing about you....now

It's your story...

What do I tell myself
when I look in your face?
So much more in your eyes
There's so much more in your eyes

Without your story
I know nothing
About you

But I want to know you....now



MY TRIBE

Hum nu na - listen to me woman
Lun na la - listen to me man
La la lun la - listen to me children
You've got to believe in your tribe

We used to believe in each other
We used to believe in the tribe

Where are we going to?
Now you've gone away
I could believe in you
Why don't you just stay with me?

Where are we going to?
I want to believe
in what you used to be
for our family

Hum nu na - listen to me people
Lun na la - listen to me world
La la lun la - listen to me spirits
You've got to believe in the tribe

We used to believe in each other
We used to believe in the tribe

All I want you to know
Hear me my child
Is that the tribe believes
in you...today

Where are we going to?
I want to believe
in what we used to be
for our family



ONE TIME IS ENOUGH

One time is enough
To get your heart broke in two
One time is enough for me too
For me too
For me too

Empty roads are all you got now
There on the street
Nowhere to be found
You're nowhere too...
You're nowhere to be found
You're nowhere to be found

So you seek a love that's complete
And your heart, it beats another beat
It beats another beat

It beats another beat

You've grown up too fast
And now it's too late
To take it all back

Your twist of fate
Your twist of fate
Your twist of fate

So you seek a love that's complete
And your heart, it beats another beat

It beats another beat
It beats another beat
It beats another beat
It beats another beat

A DROP OF HOPE

Part 1 - Prisoner

You tried to find a way out
One little drop of hope
You can't stay the same

Courage is stuck in your throat
And there'll be no more holding back
No more fitting in
Change is in your heart
...Butterfly flies away.....free

Part 2 - Change

What are they so afraid of?
What if you learned it all?
It's truth that scares them
It's power and their fall
...Butterfly flies away

If only my heart could make it right
If only my words could command
Thou shall love...shall love all!
And dreams pour down on us like sand
...Butterfly flies away

Knowledge is an ocean
You ride the waves upon that sea

The truth becoming clearer
and clearer...now you see
You become the butterfly
the more change you choose to be

Part 3 - Freedom

Free! Me! Now!

One little drop of hope
Bullet steals your breath away
...away

You may not survive
but your choice has set you free
...free
...Butterfly flies away

You are free....now!
You are the Butterfly...fly away

You are free...now!
You are the Butterfly...fly away

You are free...now!
You are the Butterfly...fly away

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