

## Apocalyptic Vision

The world is a crazy place today where terrorist acts abound  
And the pleading cries of the innocent is an ever increasing sound  
Diseases like Ebola and AIDS in our society can still be found  
And illegal drugs flood our streets sold by the ounce and by the pound

White slavery is a cottage industry with no end in sight  
Repressive regimes rattle their sabers trying to show their might  
Large swaths of the Earth suffer from unending blight  
And there is a darkness across the land trying to snuff out the light

Floods and tornadoes have become a normal part of our existence  
Earthquake stricken communities ask the world for assistance  
Religion is an institution that has increasingly lost its significance  
And refugees from war torn regions try to leave their ancestral homes in the distance

Our society is in a downswing and I'm really trying not to sound apocalyptic  
But atrocities are committed by cruel individuals who are sadistic  
China has control of half the world that could be called monopolistic  
And we might yet be able to turn around our fortunes but I'm not so optimistic

My apocalyptic vision of the future that I see is shared by a chosen few  
Who have railed about this to the politicians for years until their faces turned blue  
But the people in power don't listen which really is nothing new  
All they worry about is how many votes for re-election they can accrue

If we don't change the world at large we all are doomed  
Because eventually all the fossil fuels will be consumed  
Genocide as a practice by some will be resumed  
And eventually mushroom clouds over the horizon will have bloomed

The end will come for us on the swift wings of death  
Who'll stretch out his skeletal fingers and steal our breath  
And like the madwoman that was Shakespeare's Lady Macbeth  
We'll be dragged down to a place where you puff sulfur and meth

## He is the Kap-tain of Protest

My man Kap first kneeled in the fall of 2016  
To protest the systematic killing of unarmed black men  
Through his actions he wanted to knock the sheen  
Off the skewed narrative that was reported again and again

But all anyone could talk about was how he was being disrespectful  
To all of our veterans and to this nation's flag  
And even though his explanation was ever so intellectual  
To many he just became the ultimate unpatriotic scumbag

How dare you have an opinion you millionaire athlete  
Now just shut up son and play some ball  
Don't you know most of us would love to compete  
In the game you get to play each and every fall?

Being socially conscious was not a good business decision  
As Kap has unfortunately found out to his chagrin  
I don't think that in his wildest dreams he could envision  
Still being unemployed because he was a linchpin

But his selfless example started a movement  
And now half the League is kneeling just like he did  
Trying to bring about the wanted improvement  
In black and police relations that have become so morbid

But then late to the party POTUS got in on the act  
Telling NFL owners they need to fire those who kneel

Even though that would have been a breach of contract  
He wanted those unpatriotic SOB's gone with a zeal

For exercising their First Amendment Rights?  
Come on 45 you're standing too close to the microwave  
Now the concept of Free Speech is suddenly in your sights?  
In the Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave?

Every American has a right to give voice  
To any issue that they find deplorable  
And if they protest it's their constitutionally given choice  
To rail against something that they find horrible

Kap took a stand by kneeling down  
And we should all praise him for what he did  
For raising the issue of cops killing men who are brown  
I kneel down and then tip my cap to you kid

## A Savant like Me

I'm the consummate savant in everything I do  
From knowing the right time to add spices to my roux  
To playing any sport that I so choose  
Because being a savant means that I will never lose  
I have a vast array of knowledge shoot I know everything  
From deciphering ancient scrolls from the dynasty of Ming  
To mapping out the complexities of the human genome  
To navigating geopolitical issues from the Middle East to Rome  
Knowledge is power and as a savant I have it in abundance  
I can eyeball a circle and tell you the exact circumference  
I can intelligently speak about nuclear fission  
To what minerals you need to ingest to dramatically increase your vision  
Being a savant also means that I'm scholarly and wise  
Political groups across the world hire me to advise  
Scientists run their latest theories by me  
And when Mensa called about membership I charged them a fee  
But it can sometimes be a burden being a person of learning  
Knowing the effects to our planet of our fossil fuel burning  
Raising the Earth's temperature with no end in sight  
Heralding the devastation and the oncoming blight  
That will occur if we don't take care of our planet  
We all need to pitch in from Madonna to Janet  
Change the ways we consume our natural resources  
Or one day we'll be swept away by Mother Nature's forces

## The Burned Brother Blues

I miss you girl, like a cancer  
You will never again be my private dancer  
I know now that this is the answer  
That lies deep inside that which is me  
You're gone from my life like serendipity or like Tyson in three  
I met you at work and I knew from the start  
We would be together forever and never part...It's just too damn bad that I wasn't smart  
Enough to listen to my boys who said you would be coy and toy with my emotions  
Like a child plays in the ocean  
But I wasn't hearing those punks, I was going for mine  
With your deep violet eyes, enormous breasts, but sorry to say flat behind  
I walked up to you and in my smoothest voice I said...  
Enchante, my name is suave Clay and I would like to say  
Would you consider coming around my way for a glass of Chardonnay or if that's not your style  
How about some Alize for a little bit...  
You smiled, looked deeply into my eyes and said O.K. to that bullshit  
And that was the start of our love affair  
I was the Bobby to your Whitney, Ike to your Tina, Sonny to your Cher  
Now notice how I mentioned these fucked up couples, It's all for a reason  
Because after a couple of blissful months began the season of the treason and skezzin'  
You started tripping, wanting me to buy you diamonds and gold  
Damn baby I was just a brother earning nine dollars an hour trying not to fold  
Under the pressure that life likes to hand the black man  
But like an idiot I ripped and ran trying to do all that I can  
To get you what you wanted because I thought I was in love  
With a beautiful black angel that was a gift from above  
But like a shove in the back or like a kick in the ribs

You played me baby, you shouldn't have done what you done did  
But the proverbial straw that broke this brother's back  
Was when one night after work you wanted me to drop you off at your ex-boyfriend Zacks  
Down in Temple Hills, Maryland over on Hack – er – ly lane  
And I tried to maintain as what you said rolled around my brain  
And the more I thought about it the more YOU seemed insane  
Why would I drop you off at another man's crib when you were supposed to be MY girlfriend?  
Besides it was 11:45 at night and I wasn't about to begin  
A long ass trip around the beltway  
I asked you what you needed to see him for and this is what you had to say  
"I'm going over there to study." "To study? Oh really?  
I wasn't aware you got back into school ever since you got kicked out of Temple in Philly  
The only thing you are going to study is what's in his pants!"  
Well you rolled your eyes at me, gave me a nasty glance and then pranced towards the door  
And as you walked away I said, "It's over baby, you're nothing but a whore!  
And I deplore everything about you and all of the memories we shared from the first to the last!"  
Well, you turned around, smiled at me and said, "You're going to miss this hot piece of ass!"  
And as you walked out the door and forever out my life  
I was horrified to realize I thought you were the one...You were going to be my wife  
Well my brothers and sisters in life you live and learn  
Sometimes you find love and happiness and sometimes you just get burned