## **Non-Descript**

Trapped everyday
In this average foray Non-descript, as always Average, ordinary

Songs on the radio like "One in a Million" Unique, important, on fire The same faces on TV
The faces that made it

Yet here I am In the graveyard of all the unknowns The nameless, the faceless The ladder rungs

Only made to elevate
Only made to be stepped on

Can't keep my head above water Gulping down daily salt Just another drop in the ocean One of a million drops

The crushing ocean, so soul sucking Can't change the tide No matter how hard I fight Still moleculed to my kind

I am so average
I am so non-descript
I am invisible
Among the other millions I am so unique
Just like all the others

Someone please Hear my voice in the static See me in the blur Save me from the grind Spare me the suffering Of being me

## **Barred**

Addiction, attraction, intoxication Coping mechanisms amiss Inside wounds need inside RX

Alcohol, drugs, cigarettes & sex Many names but the same demon He possesses, repossesses

You think he is giving
But his only job is to take
Take, and take, and take

The goggles he gives The rush he provides The problems he solves Are all lies

He exacerbates
He mutates
He takes, and takes, and takes He'll take it all

Friends, family, fun School, work, money Desire, sleep, dreams

He is a living devil Disguised as a savior He is beautiful in the dark Where he drags you down Drowning you quietly Destroying you silently

Down, down, down He makes you feel so Up, Up, Up While he Takes, takes

Escape

## Leper

Isolated, outcasted, ignored Rumors spread like an outbreak An epidemic of lies
They infect me

That's what I am now Infected This is what I am now Leper

There is no cure I don't really want one anyway You avoid me Criticize, backstab, slander

The leprosy has done me a favor It rid me of your community You judge me Laugh at me

Harass me

But the leprosy has blinded you For you see You are the epidemic You are the cancer

You are the reviled Not me

I may be isolated, outcasted Ignored, infected, rejected But I am true to me

I embrace the leprosy

The irony

You gave me this gift Burned it into me as a curse But it set me free

How beautiful, how quiet How nice it is to be infected By leprosy How peaceful it is to be A leper

## **Scraps**

These scraps you throw to me Like leftovers to a dog Dangled in front of A starving animal

These scraps you provide Tiny shreds of you I'm in a frenzy trying to get Even the smallest slice

These scraps entice me Lure me close I wish these scraps sustained me But they don't

Like a fish on a hook Trapped, torn, skewered Scraps in my stomach Leash me to you