

But First

On life's cheek a meadow sighs
Her parched breath of golden hay
Graceful meadow, strong and lithe
Growing up and unafraid

And in her grass, a ringed wall
Encircling a muted pyre
Red flame restrained within the stones
Sired by fate, borne of pure desire

Once freed, the flash consumes the field
Scorching pitch along its path
No life, no golden hay to breath
But patience, let it smolder

Days can bless the embers green
Time can seed lush pastures
Arise the verdant, leafy phoenix

But first, the blackened ashes

Time Peace

Warmth for you exuding
Love worn on my sleeve
Compassion never waning
Laughter like a dream

Praise flows forth and freely
My fountain of respect
Such magic, grace and glory
Passion on my breath

To have it all and be at peace
Would that it was thus!
But torment for the time we missed
Could burn my joy to dust

Distance steals our hours
Age has stolen years
Time could steal my power
Unless I face my fears

This timepiece my reminder
To seize each piece of time
Fret not that time is finite
Rejoice that it is mine!

Word Bliss

Look up here, it's me again
Hello, my thin white page
Poised above you, pen in hand
I come already breathless, crazed
to spread my words across your chest

I won't deny my phrases freedom
Yet I cannot speak them
And so I let them flow on you
In verbal wild abandon

You, my paper, calm, serene
Beneath such desperate surges
Of ink and sweat and concentration
O crests of silent, blinded screams
And troughs of unrequited passion

I freely drench you from above
And when I've spent my inspiration
I rest my head upon your chest
And slumber in my inked emotion

Candle HoldHer

The tapered candle looks complete
Bold and independent
Standing tall and burning bright
Seemingly self-sufficient.

But look beneath her for the truth
She does not stand alone.
True love supports her glowing frame
And holds her as she burns.

Come here, go away

Come here. Go away
Hold me. Let me be free
Be serious. Come on, let's play
Shut up. Talk to me.

Keep me here. Let me roam
Don't touch me. Hug me tight
Love me. Leave me alone
Challenge me. Let's not fight.

How are you? I don't care
Let me in. Lock your door
Go ahead. Don't you dare
I've had enough. Give me more.

Cry for me. Don't be frail
Spoil me. Keep your wealth
Good luck. I hope you fail
Help me. I can do it myself.