

Ure Midge

"The Gift"

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For C.R. Mackintosh)

From city streets you came with something true
From dirt and smoke you breathed in something new
And when you laid all before you
They took what you made
And threw it away
The gift that you gave

With hands of gold and images strong
You cast the shape of things to cling on
And when you tried to show them
They took what you made
And gave it away
The gift that you gave

And in return I give you honest love
These things I see around me
I see with my soul
I feel in my heart
The gift that you gave

And in return I give you my respect
That's all that's mine for giving
I've learned from it all
The textures and form
The gift that you gave

And when they ask what prize I treasure most
What legacy I cherish
I say from the heart
The passion and art
That's the gift that you gave

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