

## Dream Theater "Regression"

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[H:]

"Close your eyes and begin to relax. Take a deep breath, and let it out  
Slowly. Concentrate on your breathing. With each breath you become more  
Relaxed. Imagine a brilliant white light above you, focusing on this light as  
It flows through your body. Allow yourself to drift off as you fall deeper and  
Deeper into a more relaxed state of mind. Now as I count backward from ten to  
One, you will fill more peaceful, and calm. Ten. Nine. Eight. Seven. Six. You  
Will enter a safe place where nothing can harm you. Five. Four. Three. Two. If  
At any time you need to come back, all you must do is open your eyes. One."

[N:]

Safe in the light that surrounds me  
Free of the fear and the pain  
My subconscious mind  
Starts spinning through time  
To rejoin the past once again

Nothing seems real  
I'm starting to feel  
Lost in the haze of a dream

And as I draw near  
The scene becomes clear  
Like watching my life on a screen

Hello Victoria so glad to see you  
My friend

2. Scene Two: Overture

[Instrumental]

3. Strange Deja Vu

[N:]

Subconscious strange sensation  
Unconscious relaxation  
What a pleasant nightmare  
And I can't wait to get there again

Every time I close my eyes  
There's another vivid surprise  
Another whole life waiting  
Chapters unfinished, fading

Closer now - Slowly coming into view  
I've arrived - Blinding sunshine beaming through

There's a house I'm drawn into  
Familiar settings, nothing new  
There's a pathway leading there  
With a haunting chill in the air

There's room at the top of the stairs  
Every night I'm drawn up there  
There's a girl in the mirror  
Her face is getting clearer  
Young child won't you tell me why I'm here?

In her eyes - I sense a story never told  
Behind the disguise - There's something tearing  
At her soul

[V:]

Tonight I've been searching for it  
A feeling that's deep inside m  
Tonight I've been searching for  
The one that nobody knows  
Trying to break free

I just can't help myself  
I'm feeling like I'm going out of my head  
Tears my heart into two  
I'm not the one the sleeper thought he knew

[N:]

Back on my feet again  
Eyes open to real world  
Metropolis surrounds me  
The mirror's shattered the girl

Why is this other life  
Haunting me everyday  
I'd break through the other side  
If only I'd find the way

Something's awfully familiar  
The feeling's so hard to shake  
Could I have lived in that other world  
It's a link that I'm destined to make

I'm still searching but I don't know what for  
The missing key to unlock my mind's door

Today I am searching for it  
A feeling that won't go away  
Today I am searching for it  
The one that I only know  
Trying to break free

I just can't help myself  
I'm feeling like I'm going out of my head  
Tears my soul into two  
I'm not the one I thought I always knew

I just can't help myself  
I'm feeling like I'm going out of my head  
Uncanny, strange Deja Vu  
But I don't mind - I hope to find the truth

#### 4. Scene Three: Through My Words

[N:]  
All your eyes have ever seen  
All you've ever heard  
Is etched upon my memory  
I spoken through my words

All that I take with me  
Is all you've left behind  
We're sharing one eternity  
Living in two minds  
Linked by an endless thread  
Impossible to break

#### 5. Fatal Tragedy

[N:]  
Alone at night  
I feel so strange  
I need to find  
All the answers to my dreams

When I sleep at night  
I hear the cries  
What does this mean?

I shut the door and traveled to another home  
I met an older man, he seemed to be alone  
I felt that I could trust him  
He talked to me that night;

"Lad did you know a girl was murdered here?"  
"This fatal tragedy was talked about for years"  
Victoria's gone forever  
Only memories remain  
She passed away  
She was so young

Without love  
Without truth  
There can be no turning back

Without faith  
Without hope  
There can be no peace of mind

As the night went on  
I started to find my way  
I learned about a tragedy  
A mystery still today

I tried to get more answers  
But he said, "You're on your own"  
Then he turned away and left me  
As I stand there all alone  
He said, "You'll know the truth  
As your future days unfold"

Without love  
Without truth  
There can be no turning back

Without faith  
Without hope  
There can be no peace of mind

[H:]  
"Now it's time to see how you died. Remember that  
death  
Is not the end but only a transition."

## 6. Scene Four: Beyond This Life

[Headline:] "Murder, young girl killed  
Desperate shooting at Echoe's hill  
Dreadful ending, killer died

Evidently suicide"

A witness heard a horrifying sound  
He ran to find a woman dead and  
Lying on the ground

Standing by her was a man  
Nervous, shaking, gun in hand  
Witness says he tried to help  
But he'd turned the weapon on himself

His body fell across that poor young girl  
After shooting out in vain  
The witness ran to call for assistance  
A sad close to a broken love affair

Our deeds have traveled far  
What we have been is what we are

She wanted love forever  
But he had another plan  
He fell into an evil way  
She had to let him down  
She said "I can't love a wayward man"

She may have found a reason to forgive  
If he had only tried to change  
Was their fatal meeting prearranged?

Had a violent struggle taken place?  
There was every sign that lead there  
Witness found a switchblade on the ground  
Was the victim unaware?  
They continued to investigate  
They found a note in the killer's pocket  
It could have been a suicide letter  
Maybe he had lost her love

I feel there's only one thing left to do  
I'd sooner take my life away than live with losing you

Our deeds have traveled far  
What we have been is what we are

All that we learn this time  
(What we have been is what we are)  
Is carried beyond this life

7. Through Her Eyes

[N:]

She never really had a chance  
On that fateful moonlight night  
Sacrificed without a fight  
A victim of her circumstances

Now that I've become aware  
And I've exposed this tragedy  
A sadness grows inside of me  
It all seems so unfair

I'm learning all about my life  
By looking through her eyes

Just beyond the churchyard gates  
Where the grass is overgrown  
I saw her writing on her stone  
I felt like I would suffocate

In loving memory of our child  
So innocent, eyes open wide  
I felt so empty as I cried  
Like part of me had died

And as her image  
Wandered through my head  
I wept just like a baby

As I lay awake in bed

And I know what it's like  
To lose someone you love  
And this felt just the same

She wasn't given any choice  
Desperation stole her voice  
I've been given so much more in life  
I've got a son, I've got a wife

I had to suffer one last time  
To grieve for her and say goodbye  
Relive the anguish of my past  
To find out who I was at last

The door has opened wide  
I'm turning with the tide  
Looking through her eyes

8. Scene Six: Home

[Sleeper:]  
Shine-lake of fire

Lines take me higher  
My mind drips desire  
Confined and overtired

Living this charade  
Is getting me nowhere  
I can't shake this charade  
The city's cold blood calls me home  
Home it's what I long for  
Back home where I belong

The city - it calls to me  
Decadent scenes from my memory  
Sorrow - eternity  
My demons are coming to drown me

Help - I'm falling, I'm crawling  
I can't keep away from it's clutch  
Can't have it, this habit  
It's calling me back to my home

[Miracle:]  
I remember the first time she came to me  
Poured her soul out all night and cried

I remember I was told there's a new love that's born  
For each one that has died

I never thought that I  
Could carry on with this life  
But I can't resist myself  
No matter how hard I try

Living their other life  
Is getting them nowhere  
I'll make her my wife  
Her sweet temptations calls me home  
Home it's what I long for  
My home where she belongs

Her ecstasy - means so much to me  
Even deceiving my own blood  
Victoria watches and thoughtfully smiles  
She's taking me to my home

Help - he's my brother, but I love her  
I can't keep away from her touch  
Deception, dishonor  
It's calling me back to my home

[N:]

Her story - it holds the key  
Unlocking dreams from my memory  
Solving this mystery  
Is everything that is a part of me

Help - regression, obsession  
I can't keep away from her touch  
Leave no doubt, to find out  
It's calling me back to my home

## 9. Scene Seven: The Dance Of Eternity

[Instrumental]

## 10. One Last Time

[N:]  
It doesn't make any sense  
This tragic ending  
In spite of the evidence  
There's something still missing

Heard some of the rumours told  
A taste of one's wealth  
Did Victoria wound his soul?  
Did she bid him farewell?

[V:]  
One last time  
We'll lay down today  
One last time  
Until we fade away  
One last time  
We'll lay down today  
One last time  
We slowly fade away

[N:]  
Here I am inside his home  
It holds the many clues  
To my suspicions  
And as I'm standing here right now  
I'm finally shown what I have always known

Coincidence I can't believe  
As my childhood dreams slowly come true

Are these her memories  
Awakened through my eyes  
This house has brought back to life



An open door  
I walk on through  
Into his bedroom

Feeling as cold as outside  
The walls disappear  
To some woman who's screaming  
A man pleads forgiveness  
His words I cannot hear

## 11. Scene Seven: The Spirit Carries On

[N:]  
Where did we come from?  
Why are we here?  
Where do we go when we die?  
What lies beyond  
And what lay before?  
Is anything certain in life?

They say " Life is too short"  
"The here and the now"  
And " You're only given one shot"  
But could there be more  
Have I lived before  
Or could this be all that we've got?

If I die tomorrow  
I'd be alright  
Because I believe  
That after we're gone  
The spirit carries on

I used to be frightened of dying  
I used to think death was the end  
But that was before  
I'm not scared anymore  
I know that my soul will transcend

I may never find all the answers  
I may never understand why  
I may never prove  
What I know to be true  
But I know that I still have to try

If I die tomorrow  
I'd be alright  
Because I believe  
That after we're gone  
The spirit carries on

[V:]

"Move on, be brave  
Don't weep at my grave  
Because I'm no longer here  
But please never let  
Your memories of me disappear"

[N:]

Safe in the light that surrounds me  
Free of the fear and the pain  
My questioning mind  
Has help me to find  
The meaning in my life again  
Victoria's real  
I finally feel  
At peace with the girl in my dreams  
And now that I'm here  
It's perfectly clear  
I found out what all of this means

If I die tomorrow  
I'd be alright  
Because I believe  
That after we're gone  
The spirit carries on

## 12. Scene Eight: Finally Free

[Hypnotist:]

You are once again surrounded by a brilliant white  
light.  
Allow the light to lead you away from your past and into  
this lifetime.  
As the light dissipates you will slowly fade back into  
Consciousness, remembering all you have learned.  
When I tell you to open your eyes you will return to the  
present,  
Feeling peaceful and refresh.  
Open your eyes Nicholas.

[Miracle:]

Friday evening  
The blood still on my hands  
To think that she would leave me now  
For that ungrateful man  
Soul survivor  
No witness to the crime  
I must act fast to cover up  
I think that there's still time  
He'd seem hopeless and lost with this note  
They'll buy into the words that I wrote

This feeling  
Inside me  
Finally found my love  
I've finally broke free  
No longer  
Torn in two  
I'd take my own life before losing you

[Victoria:]  
Feeling good this Friday afternoon  
I ran into Julian  
Said we'd get together soon  
He's always had my heart  
He needs to know  
I'll break free of the Miracle  
It's time for him to go  
This feeling  
Inside me  
Finally found my love  
I've finally broke free  
No longer  
Torn in two  
He'd kill his brother if he only knew  
Their love renewed  
They'd rendezvous  
In a pathway out of view  
They thought no one knew  
Then came a shot out of the night  
"Open your eyes, Victoria"

[Sleeper:]  
One last time  
We'll lay down today  
One last time  
Until we fade away  
One last time  
We'll lay down today  
One last time  
We fade away  
As their bodies lie still  
And the ending draws near  
Spirits rise through the air  
All their fears disappear  
It all becomes clear  
A blinding light comes into view  
An old soul exchanged for a new  
Familiar voice comes shining through

[Nicholas:]  
This feeling  
Inside me

Finally found my life  
I'm finally free  
No longer  
Torn in two  
I learned about my life by living through you  
This feeling  
Inside me  
Finally found my life  
I've finally broke free  
No longer  
Torn in two  
Living my own life by learning from you  
We'll meet again my friend  
Someday soon

[CNN report:]

"... their lead story,  
All anticipating the outcome of the man considered to  
be a member of American nobility.  
And as you can imagine, as the skies have grown  
darker  
Here over Washington,  
The moon has grown darker as well and people here  
are  
Beginning to resign themselves to the possibility that  
they are  
Witnessing yet another tragedy in a long string of  
misfortunes.  
Reaction from everywhere, from Washington and  
certainly  
From around the world has guess..."

[Hypnotist:]

"Open your eyes, Nicholas"

[Nicholas:]

"AAAH!"

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