## **Duncan James** "Orpheus"

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Standing firm on this stony ground

Another wind blows up, pulls these clothes around

I harbor all the same worries as most

Temptations to leave or to give up the ghost

I wrestle with an out-look on life

That shifts between darkness and shadowy line

I struggle with words I fear that they'll hear

That Orpheus sleeps on his back, still dead to the world

Sunlight falls my wings open wide

There's a beauty here I cannot deny

And models that tumble and crash on the stairs

Just so many people i knew never cared

Down below on the wreck of the ship

Our stronghold of pleasures I couldn't regret

The baggage is swallowed up by the tide

As Orpheus keeps to his promise

It stays by my side

Tell me, I've still a lot to learn

Understand

These fires never start

Believe me

When this joke is tired of laughing I will hear

The promise of my Orpheus sing

Long rest

Sleepers sleep as we row the boat

Just you and the web and I gave up hope

But all of the hurdles that fell in our laps

Fuel for the fire and straw for our backs

Still the voices have stories to tell

Of the power struggles in Heaven and Hell

But we feel secure against such mighty dreams

As Orpheus sings of the promise tomorrow may bring

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