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"Don't Lose Yourself"

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I felt my vocal chords weakening
I felt my concave thoughts
I felt my voluntary blindness
For staring straight into the sun

The romantic air of your eye patch
Called me across the room
I clung there and I danced with you, silent
Admired your divine tattoo

We slept in the shadow of a cedar tree
We made love on the rising tide
We smelled the perfume of the waxing moon
We dreamt of all friendships kind

We touched the blood of the black cat
We pet the mammoth day of tears
In the flickering light we were laughing
Necessity conquers fear

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Dreaming, we were stones in black stillness
Dreaming of the death of the sun
Waking to a world of white windiness
Painted eyes of the holy ones

The death of the word was upon us
And the discipline of the wind
We see less and less all the time, dear
Just look at this mess we are in

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Staring at the entrance to the mind
I had prayed for your wounds to close

Tiger ointment and a cosmic collision
And the crucifixion of the rose

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