

## Chris Cummings

### "The Tower"

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A great lord came walking through the forest  
One morning with a weapon in his hand;  
Rich was his castle, he lacked for nothing,  
But killing was his plan;  
When a white bird flew by she fell from the sky,  
Nothing was found, only blood on the ground, she was  
gone;

Cursing his fortune,  
He turned to the forest to kill once again,  
And standing before him was a lovely young woman  
With her hand hung in pain,  
When he saw her his eyes were filled with desire,  
He said "I must have her, she must be mine,  
She will be mine..."

He offered her silver, he offered her gold,  
But she threw it on the ground,  
He fell to his knees and he begged her,  
"Oh please come with me,  
What you wish will be found;"  
She said, "Sire, I'll go if you put up your bow,  
And spare these creatures, leave them in peace,  
You have no need..."

But her words were lost in the wind  
His eyes were fixed on a queen  
And all he saw was a woman  
And all she was, was a dream...  
Oh oh...And all he saw was a woman, and all she was,  
Was a dream...

He took her and bound her with ropes tied around her  
To his castle he did ride;  
In the wood was a bower where stood an old tower  
And he threw her deep inside;  
Then the birds left the sky and a terrible cry,  
Brought thunder and lightning, and rain falling down,  
Tears on the ground...

All through the days on her face he would gaze,

For she was lovely as the spring;  
No words would she speak but "Leave them in peace",  
And some sad lament she would sing,  
Oh one day by the door, at the window he saw  
A single white feather lying on the floor.  
She was there no more...

Now that great lord is dying,  
His cold heart is crying for the love of the girl;  
For many an hour he has wept on the tower  
For she meant more than the world;  
And once in the sky, a white bird flew by,  
He lifted his hands, he cried out in pain  
"Come back again..."

But his words were lost in the wind,  
His castle was built upon sand,  
And all he has is a memory,  
And all he yearns is her hand...  
Ah ah ... all he has is the memory,  
And all he yearns is her hand.

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