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"The Grace Of A Dancer"

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She had the grace of a dancer
Pretty as the morning sun
Her days were filled with laughter
And when sixteen years had come
She went to work in the old house
And there she met her love
But he, the son, was high-born
And she a village girl

They met at night by the river
And there he pledged his love
And so it was for the summer
But by winter all was done
For the word was out in the village
That she would have his child
And the night before she left him
These words were in his heart

When she said
Love is all that we have, it is forever
Love is all that we need to be together
Love is all that this world has to share
Only love can take us there

They found her clothes by the river
Of her there was no trace

And for many years he mourned her
Haunted by her face
So he set off over the ocean
His memories to escape
But the ship he sailed was Ilstar
And soon would meet its fate

They struck the rocks at midnight
In the grip of a roaring storm
And he found himself in the water
With a woman and a boy
With a power that was more than human
He brought them to the shore
And her whisper in the darkness
Was a voice he'd heard before

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Only love
She had the grace of a dancer
And the father of her son

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