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"The Other Side"

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I had spend the whole day lying on the sand,
Sifting tiny golden gains and dreaming I was tanned.
My eyelids closed, the burning sun high up in the sky.
Make swiftly moving scarlet patterns deep within my
eye.

Then the red sun disappeared and a chill came on my
skin.
I felt a shadow on my face and a coldness from within.
Through slits between my eyelids I saw a girl, kneeling
down
And the sun, I think it was, formed a halo, or a crown.

I heard a weak and croaking voice I recognize as mine.
Ask her where she came from, or for some other sign.
She smiled and closed my eyelids with two fingers of
her hand.
Saying I'm from the other side and soon you'll
understand.

Oh, she held my hands, as if to comfort me and said:
"Don't be afraid, I'm your lifelong guide.
I've come so I can show you how to set your spirit free.
So listen to the music, as I take you through,
To the other side."

In that instant I seemed to rise and she holding my
arm.
Entered a bright passageway that gave me no alarm.
Just a growing love, forgiveness and trust all mixed as
one
And peace, above all, quit peace of something finished
- done.

As we reached the place of comfort, the strongest
point of light.
I felt her stop me, motionless, the end of headlong
flight.
She entered in the brightness, spoke to others waiting
there.
Then, returning to me, softly said: "Your time is not jet
here."

Oh, she held my hands, as if to comfort me and said:
"Don't be afraid, I'm your lifelong guide.
I've come so I can show you how to set your spirit free.
So listen to the music, as I take you through,
To the other side."

You must return and tell the others waiting to come
through,
Of the love, forgiveness, peace and light that lie and
store for you
And play to them, the music, play it strong and play
with pride.
So that they won't be afraid to pass - to the other side.

Oh, she held my hands, as if to comfort me and said:
"Don't be afraid, I'm your lifelong guide.
I've come so I can show you how to set your spirit free.
So listen to the music, as I take you through,
To the other side."

To the other side, to the other side.

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