

Trevor William Marais
The Artist
Poems and Pictures



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Poetry, photography, sketching, Golfing, Darts, NFL, NHL, Tennis, Soccer and Family. My late Father-in-law Charles Rambo(Chuck) used to say 'Your family is your pride even if you have to instill that pride into them", at 18 years old it did not sink in he would just move the newspaper down and look at me over the top of it and say 'there is no point in me trying to give you any sort of wisdom right now because you are not ready yet, but I am going to say it anyway so that you will remember these things when I'm gone one day'. Charles passed away when I was 38 and you know what? Every thing he told me came through loud and clear, today family is my Life 3 Grandchildren, 3 Daughters, lovely wife, A Sister, Mom Is gone, Dad is 92 and living on his own by himself in a senior residence, 2 Son-in Laws, and several cousins from the homeland and their children make up my life.

Born in Cape Town, South Africa 1956 and emigrated to Toronto, Canada 1967 it was the month of May when everything was brown, if you can imagine leaving a beautiful landscape with Mountains and

Oceans versus coming through the clouds in May over Toronto and seeing this flat brown land, it looked like a farm! I can remember saying "what did Dad bring us to?". Once on the ground you quickly start to feel the freedom and what it is to belong to a first world Country versus Apartheid and 3rd world Cape Town South Africa.



It was not hard to fall in love with Ontario when the Spring and summer arrived, Fishing, Camping, Boating, swimming in lakes were and still are a wonderful gift from this Country. The Freedom that we found can only be understood by individuals that where affected by the harsh segregating rules of Apartheid and what sort of violent hateful culture it brought against us. Anyway, lets concentrate on the Beauty of

Canada and the freedom it offered all its Citizens, its is difficult to explain but let's just say that it is a feeling that allows your creativity, individuality, intelligence and your future grow.



Mom died at 82 and Dad is now moving forward without her 62 years married, a difficult task I can only imagine, he is brave and has some bad days which is understandable but for the most part I am proud of him. Well!! What did Chuck say when I was 18? Amazing stuff isn't it? Bringing us to Canada was a great gift from my Dad and I will never forget, and I hope he does not regret.

Three beautiful girls and so far 3 Beautiful grand children fill up my life when the children arrive there is no time to work on any of my hobbies, it is time that they will consume from me and it is an honour to try and stimulate the artists that are in them, they are very stimulating in singing, painting and creating already, it is nice to see but you have to spend the energy

and time with them to be effective you cant just sit there you have to be involved.



Grandchildren are much different than having your own because of the experience of seeing everyone both their parents and other relatives whether they have passed on or still here, the similarities are not only in physical appearances but in the behavioral traits. I don't think you have to look to close for these resemblances because it jogs your memory and they help you reunite with some good memories of your own childhood and gift you with many touching natural emotional moments which will only create new memories and smiles, a wonderful gift of life. I want to thank the girls for the gifts of grandchildren it has been a tremendous experience

fertilizing my soul, it is a natural method of nature that provides us with maturing and becoming complete individuals.

For a man what is life without a beautiful wife they keep you honest because they in turn are, my wife is also very Brave, a Cancer survivor and is has achieved much, she has taken on many new goals and achieved them gaining a lot of new knowledge and confidence that comes with hard work and success. Learning to succeed in marriage is leaning that sacrifice, understanding, and never giving up on each other will one day give you great reward. Sharing time together as one makes us all better it completes you just like the gift of grandchildren your children present you. Gentlemen love and cherish every moment with your wife.

In my journey I open and closed chapters and closing some of those chapters are not easy, and closing chapters are not possible because there are lives that remain in both, and you need to keep the book open to remain happy.

In this book I will attempt to give you the uplifting feelings that could hopefully help you in all the scenarios that families endure both positive and negative through photography and poems I will attempt to show you how much we all have in common delving into our modern world and its influence on our culture as family in Canada. Please enjoy each picture and its own set of words.

The skies of Australia

*Oi, the skies of Australia are strong
To see our family strong and free
I once came to this land and the flight was long
But once on the land its beauty made me belong
I can't go wrong to want to belong
To a land with people so strong
Rugby, Cricket, world Champions indeed
Academics is also a symbol of its breed
All the Qualities of life, to help people succeed
Australia, Australia I wish you were near.*

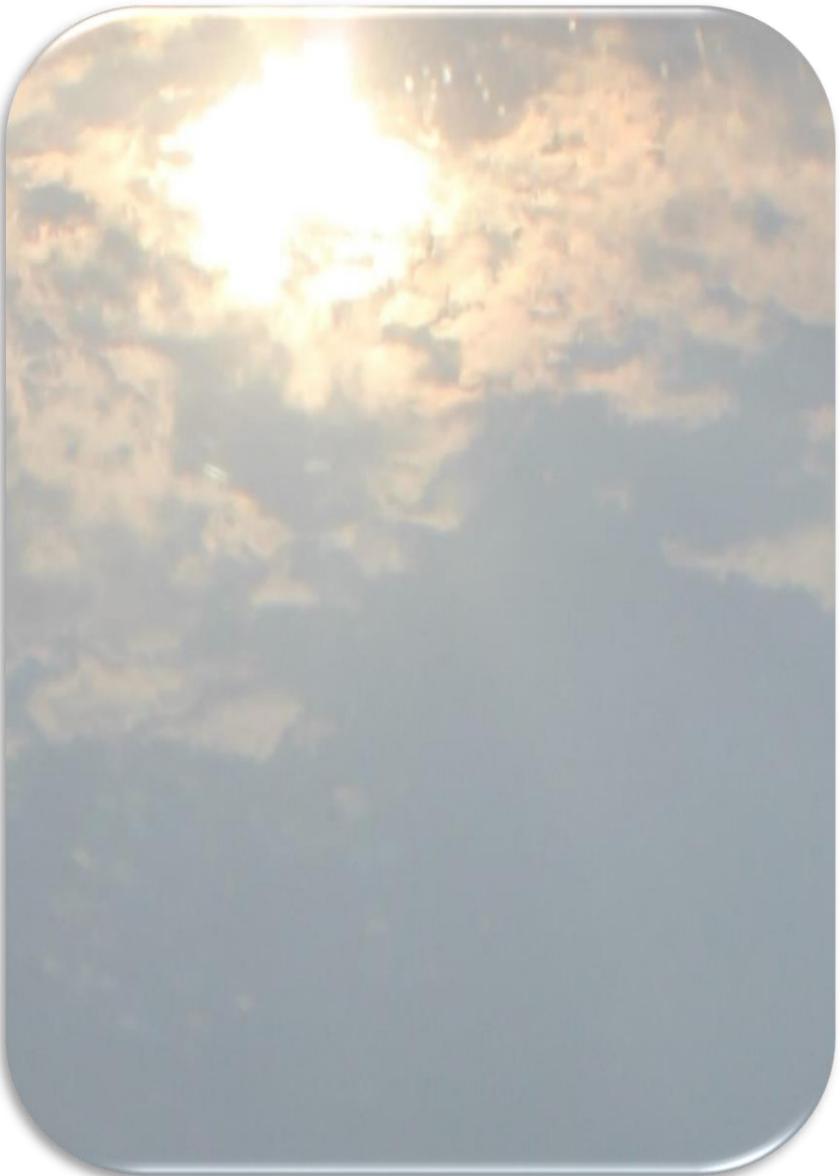
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I see myself in a reflection

*In a dream full of fear
I see myself calm
In a dream full of hate
I see myself sad
In a dream full of violence
I see myself retaliating
In thought of debate and anger
I see myself quiet
In a dream with a gun held to my head
I saw myself relaxed
In a song with my eyes closed
I saw the artist pain
I close my eyes to see my past
I see myself in uncertainty
I close my eyes to see my future
I see myself in uncertainty
In my visions come my thoughts
In my thoughts my loved ones are near
In a dream I see their fears
I see myself crying*

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I was a man

*My first time here I was a man
I never seemed to have a plan
Loud and obnoxious was it for me
Behaving like a jackass set me free
Many enemies ran away from me
Headfirst into everything I ran
And one day into a tree I did land
From this incident I never woke up
But I came back to the earth to taste the dust.*

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Innocent Minds

TJ

*Find the time
To free your mind
Then you will find
You can see how blind
You've been all this time
Spending the Time
With Children is fine
You will feel sublime
Because in their mind
It is Love that they find
In their hearts and mind
So, spend more time
The patience you must find
To be in their hearts all the time*

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Sitting down

*Sitting down to touch the sky
To use my eye to feel its grace
Feeling the warm wind on my face
I started to feel nature's pace
A gift for all that was there
I'm sure we all came here to see
Beauty that we all could share
Looking, for answers some of us
Sharing a picnic for most of us
Sitting down for me was a must*

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*Addy my love
Goodness in us
Nature's law leads us to goodness
We have been birthed to do so
We would love to be good always
But there is a contrary law in us
Because we are bent towards rebellion
Therefore, the law must be there
To move us forward to goodness*

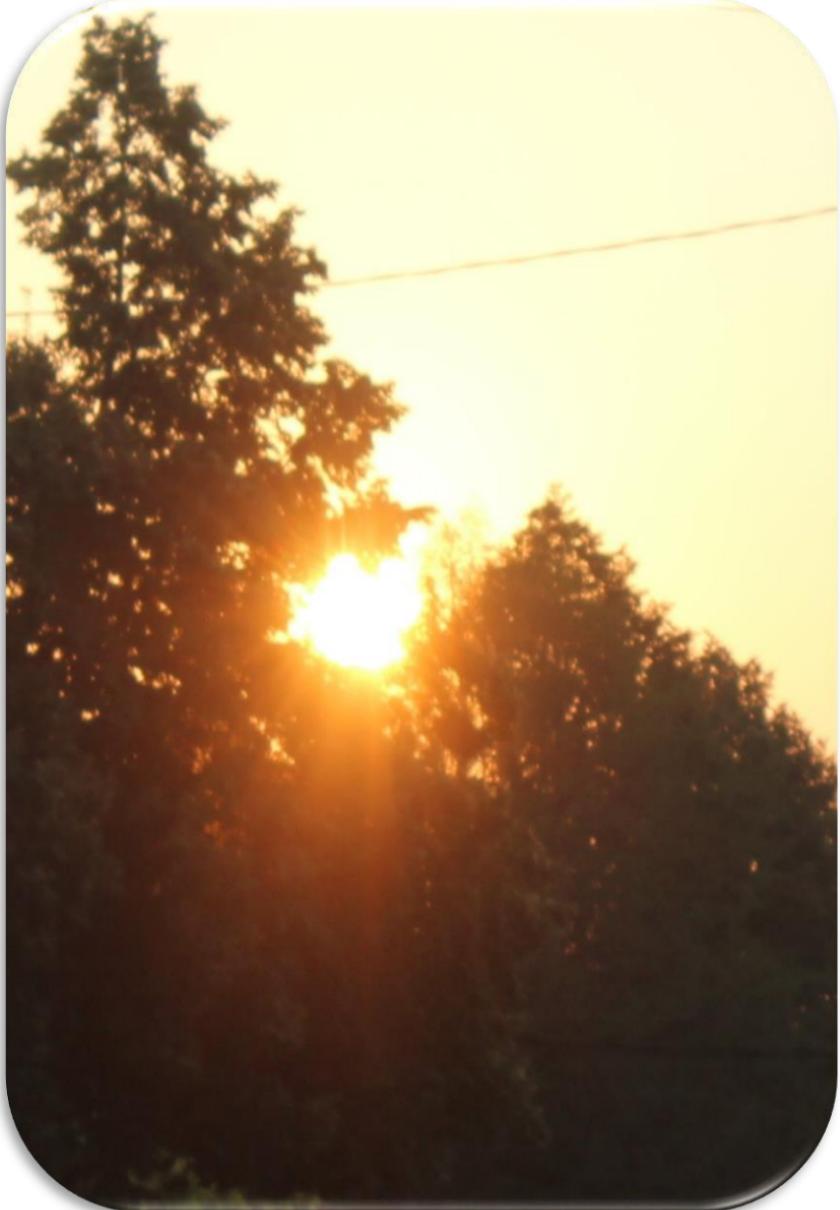
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Early Rising

*Glowing gold in the trees
Always attracts the bees
Bringing golden food for the heart
A taste of gold what a way to start
But we know the birds will sing
And now it's time to leave their nest
Early rising is the best
A step ahead while others rest
Rays of gold shining through
Signal the beginning of something new*

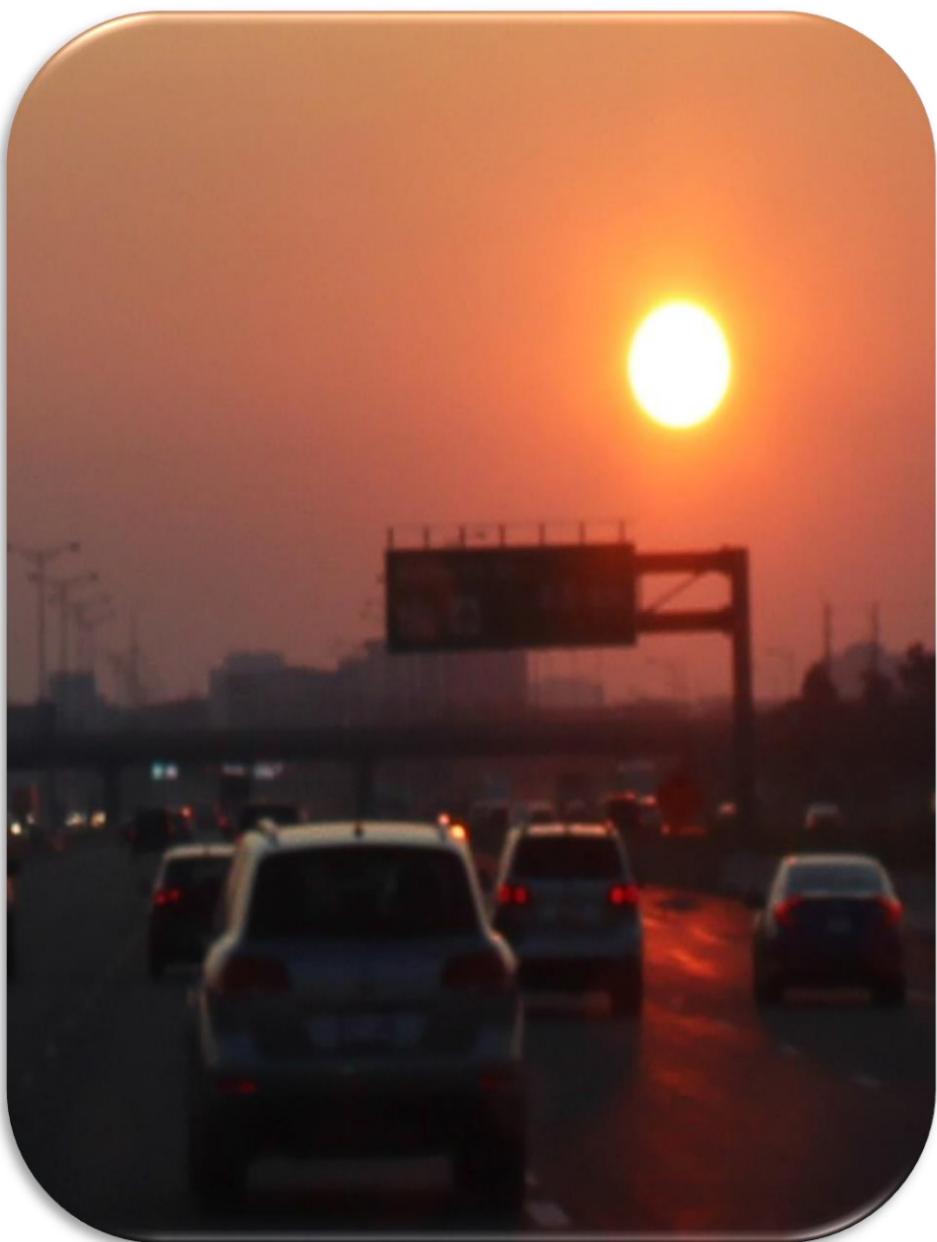
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High heat rising

*High heat glowing
High Uv's burning
Bringing life for things that grow
Some need more, some need less
Some it causes death
Air conditioners need to rest
The ozone knows this the best
Record amounts of fossil fuel burning
Alternative energy, let's start learning
In the north the ice is melting
Causing floods and people dying
Is it possible to slow this down?
Ensure our children they will not drown*

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Absolute World

*Architectural Flare
A Landmark globally to share
Curves beside a Square
Go inside of Marilyn if you dare
600 feet rising in the air
30,000 Square feet of amenities they
share*

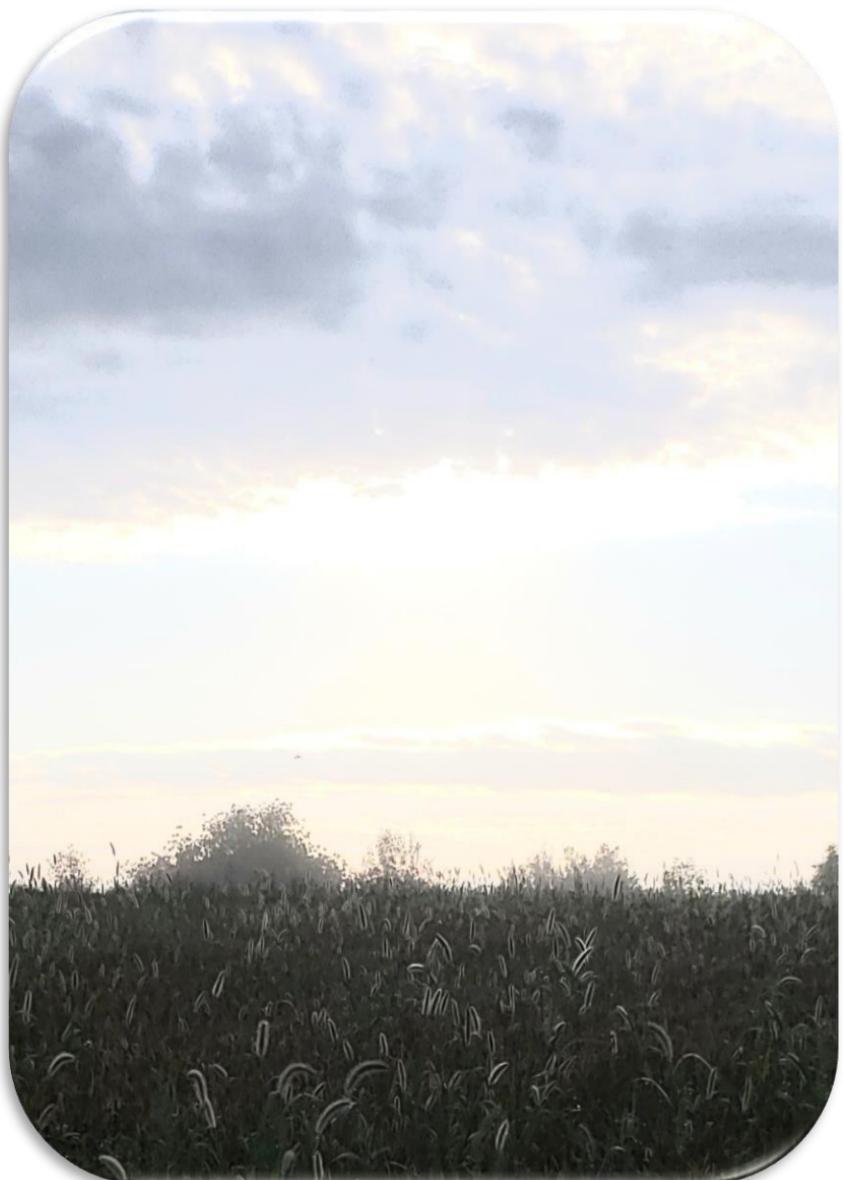
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Peace and Tranquility

*It is inside of me
Why can't you see?
Something untrustworthy about me
Is that what you see?
Caring only to insult me
You make your accusations and flee
Not caring at all to find out what is me?
Scared to apologize that's what I see
I strive hard to please thee
Yet you fail to see
The Peace and Tranquility in me*

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Take your time

*In the glory of this morning
I found myself taking my time
Only to find this shine
It was trying to hide behind the mist
A powerful display of natures fist
I stopped to capture this power
Stare at her and you can't help but admire
This beast of nature, a rising ball of fire
Unlimited Kilowatts pure and clean
Blinding power giving life to the flower
Please take your time to feel its power
One of its rewards
Is the scent of a flower*

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Pretty P

*She's as pretty as anyone could be
The love inside sets me free
Smiling and laughing, Oh what a scene
Her innocence sets the tone
With her around you'll never be alone
She questions everything that she sees
Only because she's learning how to be
Her journey of Life has just begun
Even though serious at times
Her goal is simply just to find more fun*

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Start over

*The Beginning
Soon There will be the end
When will it end?
We need to begin again
Be a Gracious host
And find a friend
Then bring this beginning to and end
And begin again
Because in the end he will return
But not only to begin again
But to put the torment to an end
And let us start all over again.*

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Let's Talk about it.

We can talk about self pity and feel that within our own body we don't belong.

We can talk about a beautifully strong young athlete In South Africa who only yesterday said when asked. "in a Museum does that stuff belong"

We can talk about the ones who came all the way here to tell us "over there you do not belong"

We can talk about our spirit knowing where it came from begins to make us strong

We can talk about it longing for where we came from

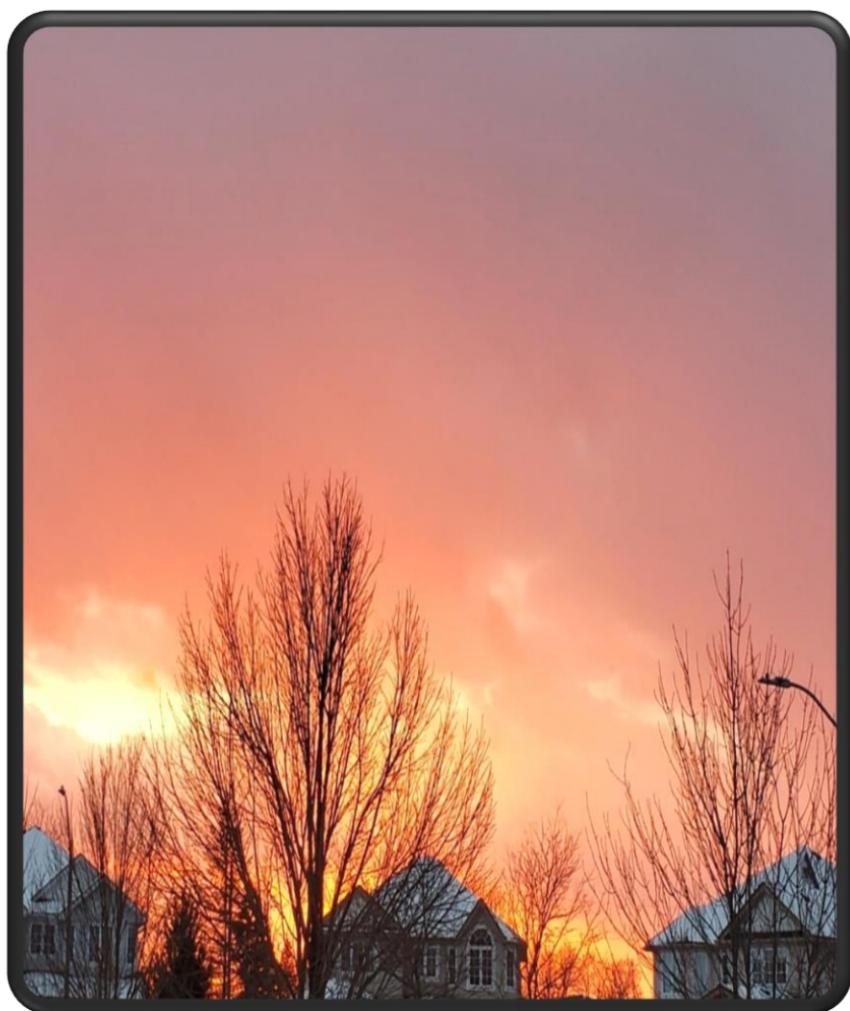
We can talk about our present life and cultivate the love needed to make us strong

We can talk about our children and tell them that seeing the beauty in love and that in any colour it will come from.

We can talk about anything then, don't you think?

We will talk about the fact that with love in your heart anywhere in this world you do belong

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Need a Plan

*Well good morning my good man
Today I wish I had a plan
I saw you there and crossed over the bridge
I found happiness, respect and peace surrounding you
I quickly realized that your love brought me here
To see the divinity within thee
I realize I have to0 take a stand
I wont cross that bridge again because I am safe with you.
Thankyou my good man you have given me a plan*

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Hidden in the shadow

*Do not hide in the shadow of yourself
Come out and take it... take your life. Bring
your self with you please.
Come out and bring your childhood with you
Come out and remember when you owned
nothing
Come out and push the clouds away and make
room for the sun to shine
Come out and fight for that person hiding in
their shadows.
Come out and show us who you really are All
the time. Every minute. Every day!!!!
Come out Please,
Do not hide in the shadows.*

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I Love People

*I am a chief
I am a renegade
I am a lover
I love family
I am dangerous
I'd love to hate
I'd love to have revenge
I'd love to be the enemy
But I am love
I am energized
I am renewed
Don't define me
I am not my past
I am my present
I am my children
I am my blood
I'll bring the truth
I am concerned
I love you
Define me now*

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One for us

Watch what you say

Watch what you do

Can you say what you do?

Can you do what you say?

The problem with saying is sometimes they will say nay!

The problem with doing is sometimes it Cannot be undone!

If you pray you can safely do and say

So, lets all pray that all our troubles go away

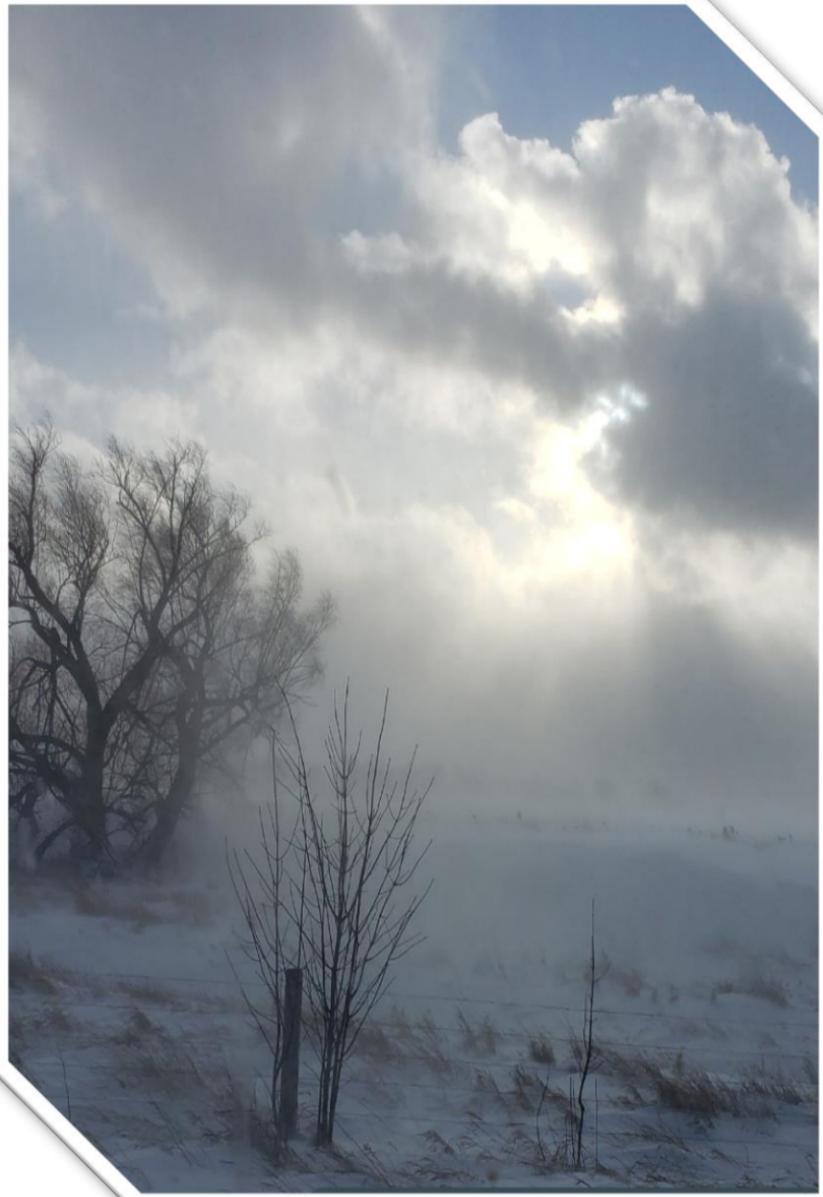
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We are One

*Some of us young
Some of us fun
Some of us are hurting
Some of us hurt
Some, are wondering why?
Some are helping
Some of us are guiding
Some of us are looking for the sun
All of us need the sun
So how can we have fun when some are hurting?
We are all one
Let's get it done*

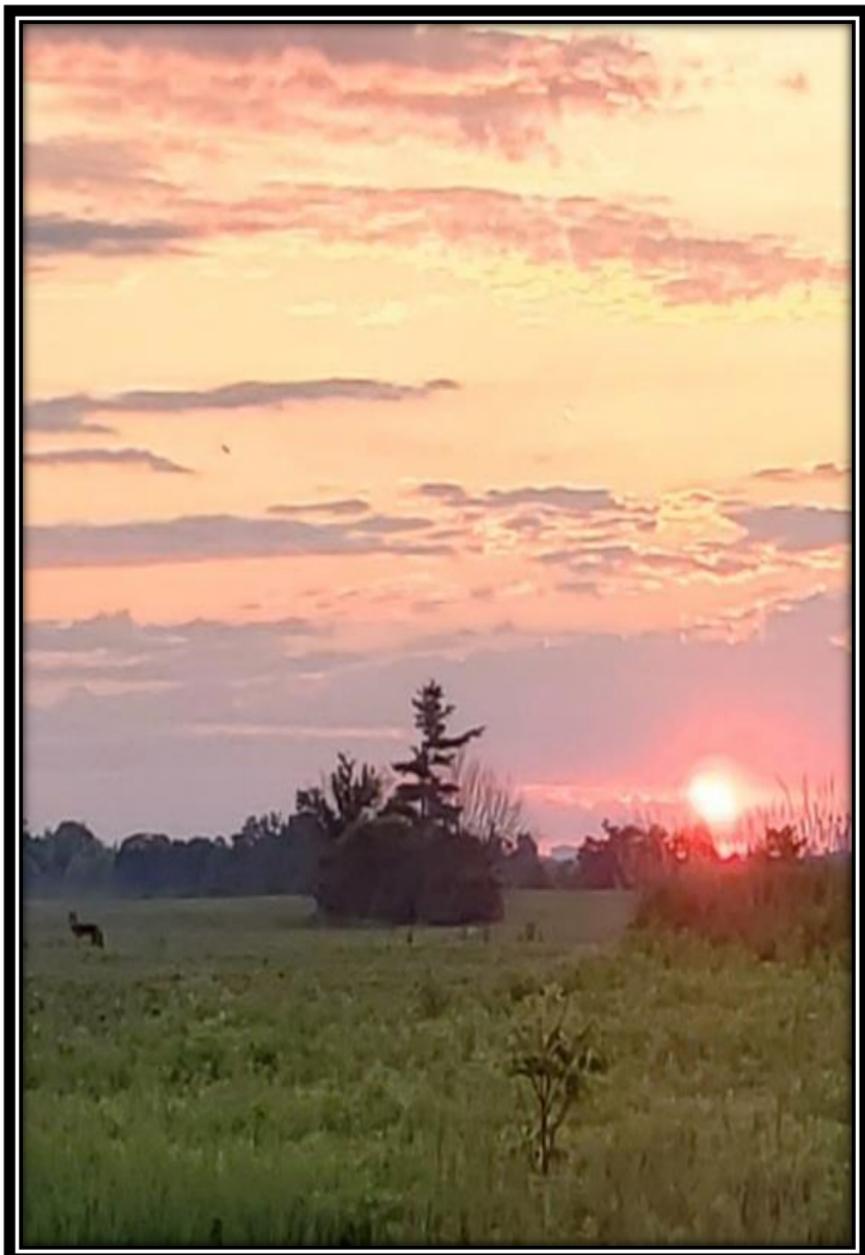
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Furthermore

*Furthermore, my Goal is to make sense of this new
Knowledge that I have found
And furthermore, I know it is to That! That I am bound
Can we be so insightful and not realize what we have
If we do not share, we kill the power of this knowledge?
Do we grow if we stay silent and trust it?
Even if we shared would they care?
I cannot lose this feeling it will help me prepare
To help those who care and...
I may need it as a light to guide me through my darkest
moments and save me from despair*

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The thing about trying to go through life unnoticeable can make you very noticeable, especially if you are needed.
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As will Yours

The mortality of my soul, depends on my actions

Actions which can cause reactions to my environment, which at some point in my life I must control

Bringing holiness into my heart will depend on what I say or do

Holiness in the heartbeat of my flesh will determine and carry the power of my soul into immortality

So, make haste no time to waste because soon my time will come

As will yours

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The power of just one soul.

*It All started with fear
And ended in courage
Dying men in war seeing an angel appear
Selfless and courageous he fought off his fear.
When asked why are you here?
He replied because your here.
This angel knew the power of his courage.
This angel saved many lives
Eventually a bullet took him away from us
As usual evil would try to kill his fame.
But the men that he touched never forgot
So, they fought for his fame
And more angels appeared
Born in truth
Born in fear
Born then in courage
They fought and reclaimed
His honourable name
Great men were born that day
All in the room will never forget
The power of just one soul.*

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we do not belong*

*We can talk about a bright young athlete from South Africa, who
only yesterday when asked said: "in a museum does that content
belong"*

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"over there you do not belong"*

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will make us strong*

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*We can talk about our present life and cultivate the love needed to
make us strong*

*We can talk about our children and show them the beauty of love
and that in any colour it can come from*

We can talk about anything then, don't you think?

*We will however talk about the fact that with love in your heart
anywhere on this earth you do belong*

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No Answers

*Thinking about times gone by
Always leaves you wondering why
Today I realize you were not that shy
Your love sees me reaching for the sky
Tomorrow I will cry and cry
Today will not allow my tear ducts to dry
Things are much clearer, just no more
why's
There are no answers*

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Intellectual feelings

*We see things in a way that intellectual behaviour is what we are all about
And yet we turn and disgrace ourselves
Then fool us that we are still the same
Yet we all know we will never be the same
The trick to trick yourself into believing you are happy with yourself
But we all know, you will always regret that evil broke your soul
Just don't spend too much time pining, because even though broken a new
life has begun
Just keep believing in that intellectual song*

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Deb, day to day without Andre

In the absence of your grace

She has a Lot to face

Agony because she is unable to touch your face

Tears are flowing at an enormous pace

Looking out the window, she wonders about her empty space

God will guide her with grace

*"I'm taking it day by day" she said today and taking things at
her own pace*

She will be fine in time I see it on her face

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So

*So how did he come into his own at 64 is unknown
It probably set him free of facing burdens of fear alone
He now realizes, seeking peaceful solutions, needs to be condoned
Pursuing goodness will physically free his soul
Yesterday someone special reminded him to pay attention to the
children and sending love will leave him at the throne
The Crown is, the power of peace and tranquility helps strengthen
you to go forward alone*

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It is Gone

*When your heart burns from love that is gone, and believe me its gone
You never believe that it will come back, trust me! Its gone*

*It does not always mean someone has to die, it could be disappointment
Disappointment in life and people, knowing they do not care about what
made our love*

*Disappointment knowing, they can break your heart and never look back
Once this reality sets in, you will understand depression*

*It is a fear that we may become accustomed to this lifestyle and that
disappointment will be a way of life*

Soon we start to lose energy

*Somehow finding comfort in this will drive you deeper down, fearing not
yourself, but everyone you love.*

Now you wonder, is this love? is there no reward?

*Now you realize you will always love, and love and you will always be
disappointed,*

Now you know, it is gone and believe me it is gone

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So... what is uncertainty?

*It is certain that we will fall in love with something
And it is certain that heart will be broken
And therefore, certainly we must recover
And certainly, do not forget a thing
Certainly, many have overcome
To be certain recognize the power of your heart
And be certain you see the goodness in some ways
You will certainly gain knowledge
It will certainly set you apart*

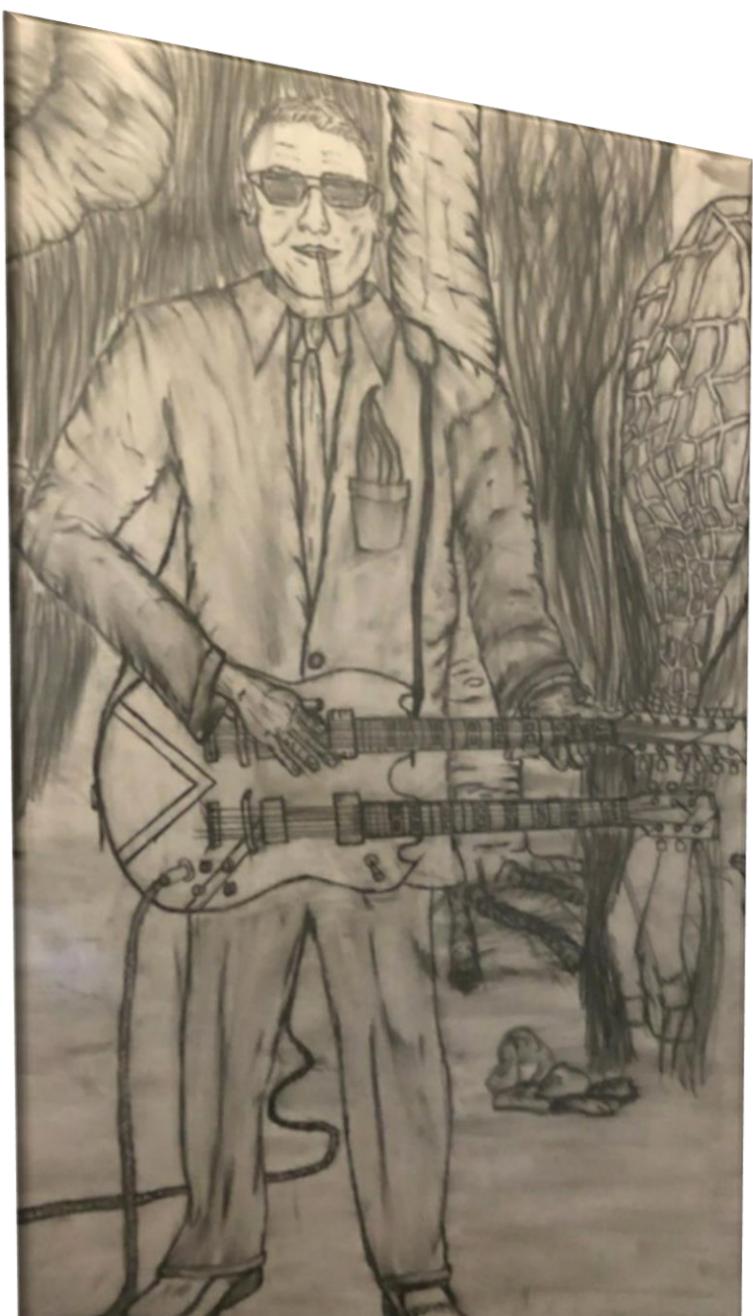
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Messenger

*This Messenger of god brings love, smiles and Talent
Right now, he most certainly is with Gabriel, Bonzo,
Jimi and all the greats
Last night I found him hard to replace
Felt like he is gone without a trace
But in the morning, I saw his face
And so, this messenger is still sending messages
This angel of power and grace.*

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I said
what you said
that she said
what he said
then I read
what you said
what I said
Now my face is all red
TWM



I am definitely different...does a person need help or are they just nasty horrible people.. I listen...not many people listening anymore

TWM



I ' m j u s t
s a y ' n

Just say'n

Just say'n what?

Dont be just say'n man

Every word counts

TWM



Too bad

So sad

Too late

Yours hate

Mental stat

Dead weight

Can't relate

Can't wait

Days ahead

Bitter ways

Being praised

Relaxing days

TWM



Keep the window open
Sunlight brings life
 Makes you feel
 alright
Serves as medicine
 For your souls
 delight
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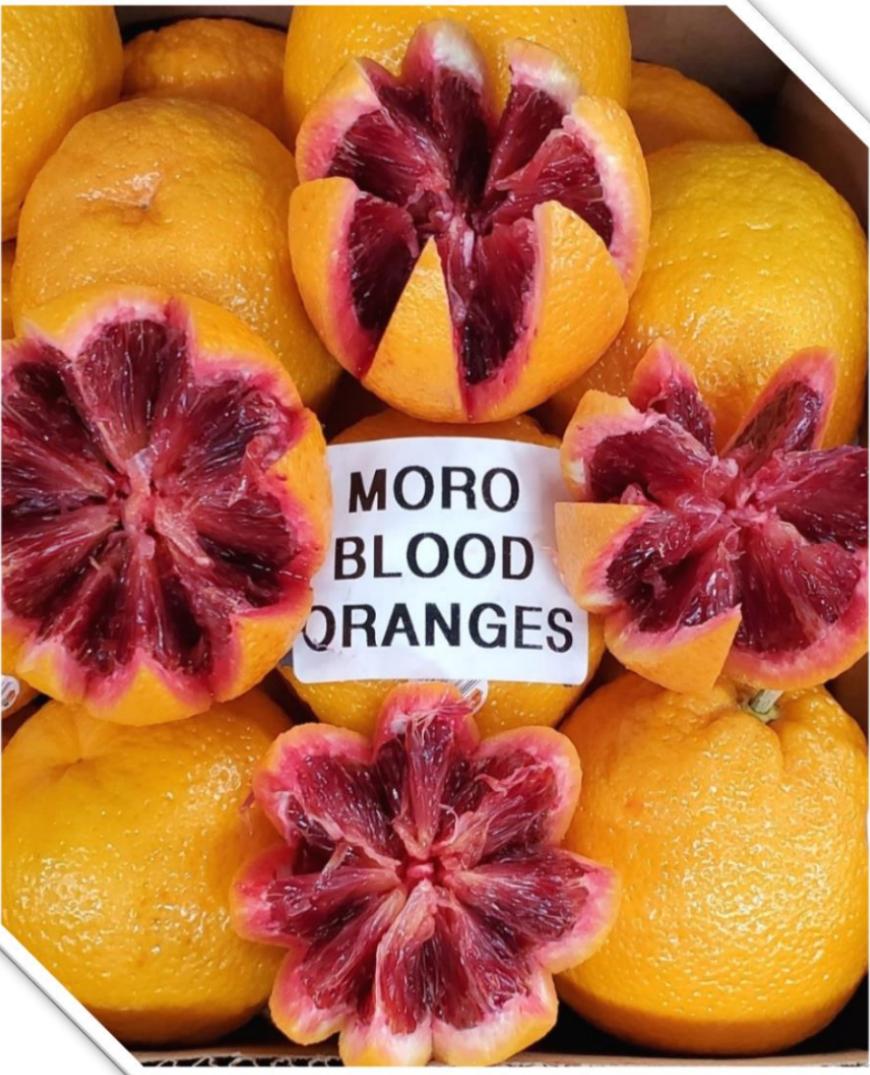


Be unconditional
love yourself.

Know not hate
Free yourself

See you at heavens gate

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MORO
BLOOD
ORANGES

Messenger of Grace
Blinded to see his fate
Life of Truth and hope
Life of pain, of God
Through Lord Jesus Christ
Truth will turn to fables
But as for you "stand alone"
Abidding truth is forever
Hold fast to what is given
Guard it
Suffer for it
Continue in it
Proclaim it
Resurrect to eternal life
Grace be with you
St. Paul

TWM



Working together means
compromising
not getting it done on your own
terms

Respect everyone not just your own
Justice is the reward for the innocent

Pointing out peoples faults wont
make you superior

Rather it will be yours demise

No need to keep explaing, stay calm
and quiet

When someone says you have never
been there for them means they have
never been there for you

Means whatever you've done was
menial and was never appreciated.

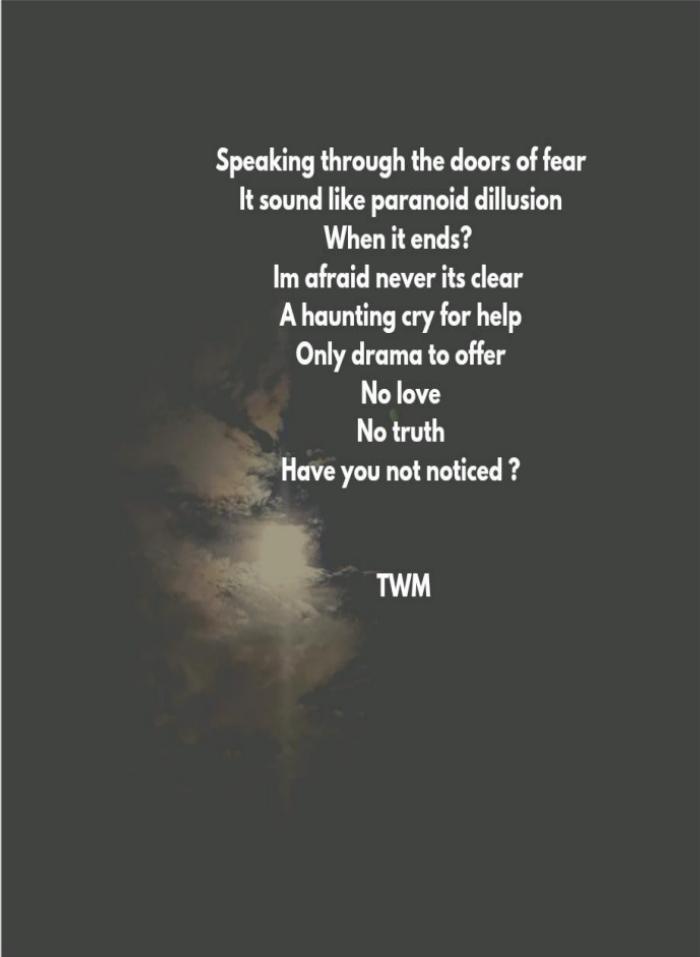
Dont stop giving, it will never be
enough.

Justice will not allways prevail on
this side

But garrunteed on the other side

Cheers
TWM





Speaking through the doors of fear
It sound like paranoid dillusion
When it ends?
Im afraid never its clear
A haunting cry for help
Only drama to offer
No love
No truth
Have you not noticed ?

TWM





On the road to grace
Be in the spirit
Live in a trance
Get to the top of the mountain
Live in honor
Our eternal destiny, lies in the
arms of conflict
Be ready

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**Be still and know that I am from
God**

Be still and know that I am

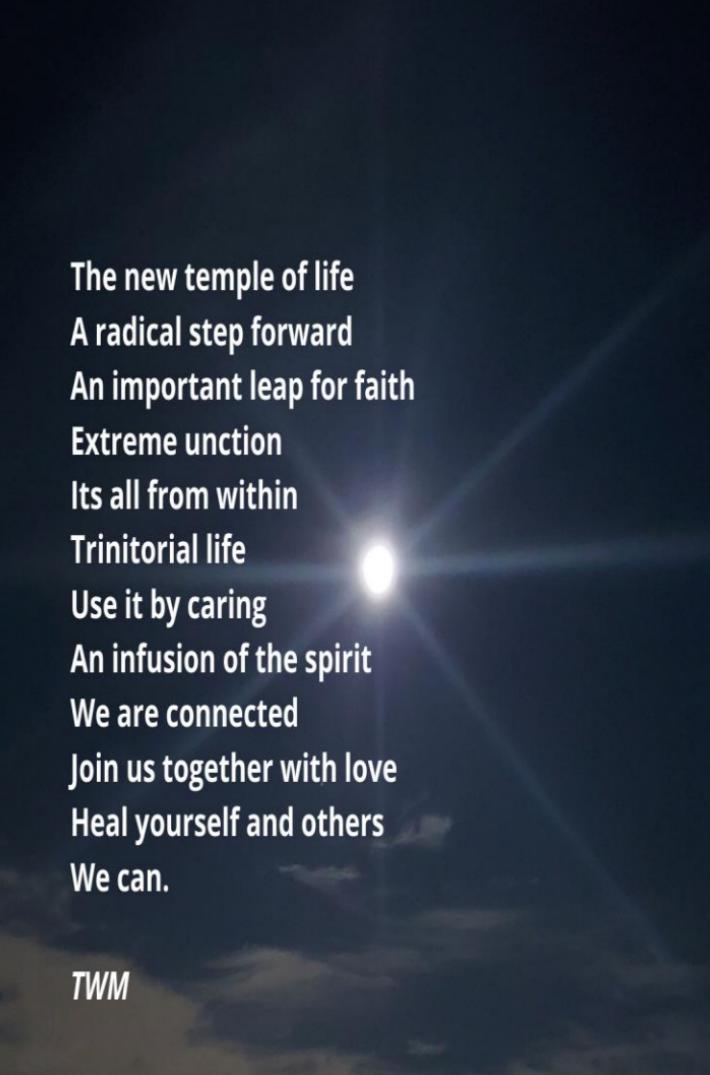
Be still and know

Be still

Be

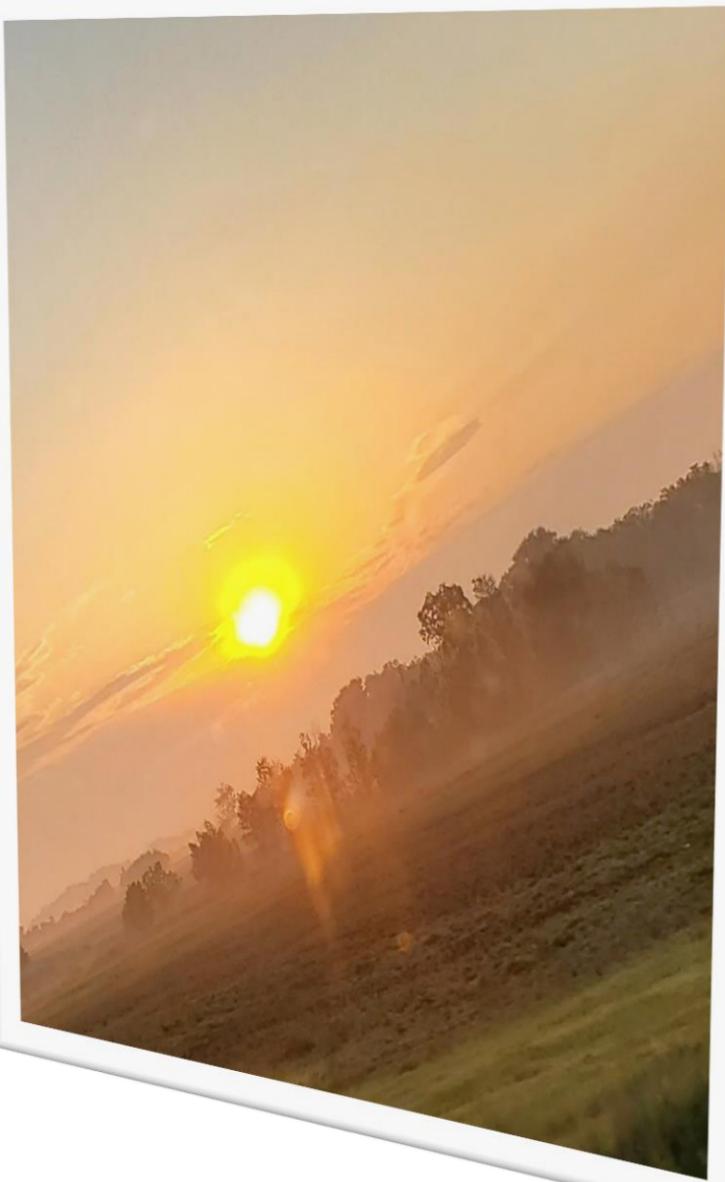
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A photograph of a bright sun in a dark, cloudy sky. The sun is positioned in the upper right quadrant, with its light creating a lens flare effect and illuminating the surrounding clouds.

The new temple of life
A radical step forward
An important leap for faith
Extreme unction
Its all from within
Trinitorial life
Use it by caring
An infusion of the spirit
We are connected
Join us together with love
Heal yourself and others
We can.

TWM



Live without Bitterness
Self pity, trapped in hate
Finding faults only in others
Entitlement..
Get free through an initiation
Taking only what you need
Practising forgiveness
A deepening perception
Powerful love, its always been there
Surrender to radical grace
Accept Universality
Creation
Evolution
Reformation
Continue in happiness
Live in love
The power of positiveness

TWM

TWM



*Refuse to respond to negativity
Paranoia and hate
Refuse to allow that into your heart
Seek that ocean of grace
But dont worry
Through forgiving and patience
Detach and find the open field
Eventually that ocean of grace will draw
you in.*

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let me remind you

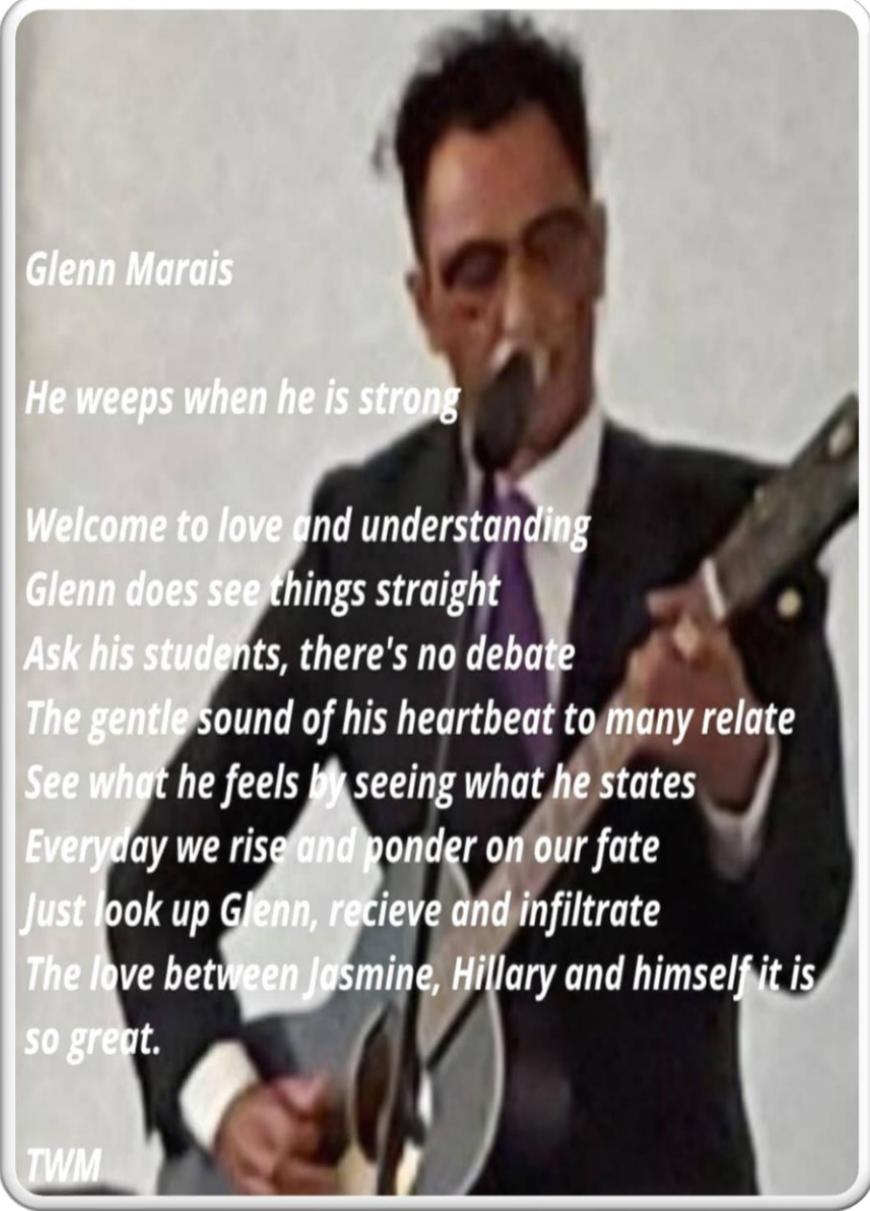
We all need
something to make
us smile
Something to show
us why
Someone to tell us
how

We need to be
reminded of how the
beauty can turn into
pain

Most importantly we
need to be reminded
that life and love is
the main reason why

let me remind you to
love and respect the
beauty it will see you
through the pain

TWM



Glenn Marais

He weeps when he is strong

Welcome to love and understanding

Glenn does see things straight

Ask his students, there's no debate

The gentle sound of his heartbeat to many relate

See what he feels by seeing what he states

Everyday we rise and ponder on our fate

Just look up Glenn, recieve and infiltrate

*The love between Jasmine, Hillary and himself it is
so great.*

TWM



Building strength around hate is to love even more..never let hate seperate...an armour of love has the tuffest gauge...a fortress of love leaves no one behind...unless they choose to of course.....

Twm



If you think your in pain
Think about Day Zero
when Jesus died

Thorns pressesed into his skull
nails through both hands
A Spike through both feet
A hole in his side to bleed out
left to die a slow death
Hanging on a cross
Twm
Excrutiating pain
Can you feel that pain?
For us he shed a tear
That was love
Dont lose sight of it

TWM



BRUISED, HURT, DIRTY
ASHAMED

TWINK



IT'S NOT ABOUT RELIGION

IT'S NOT IN A CHURCH

OR WHICH CHURCH

IT'S NOT ABOUT A TEMPLE

OR ANY BUILDING

IT'S ABOUT A WAY OF LIFE

WHAT'S IN YOUR HEART

THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY

TRY JESUS CHRIST

EACH AND EVERYDAY

TWm



Look"

**Its obvious that the words your
chosing are harsebut you have
to admit that you are the
agresser here..I only have love in
my heart and do not wish to
follow this path...so matter how
you choose this type of
conversation to end up....it doenst
matter to me I will love you until
my final breath...**

TWM



In a dream

Finally found you
When I realized it was you
I screamed
There you were all shiny and
gleamed
About 28 it seemed
Long curly black hair
big smile
"Hey what happening"? you said
That was you!
Andre in a dream

Twm



Be there for us

Seeing what it is today..has made
me happy and I swear my love is
here to stay..I will pray and pray
Out loud!..that all who suffer..will
feel the same way..

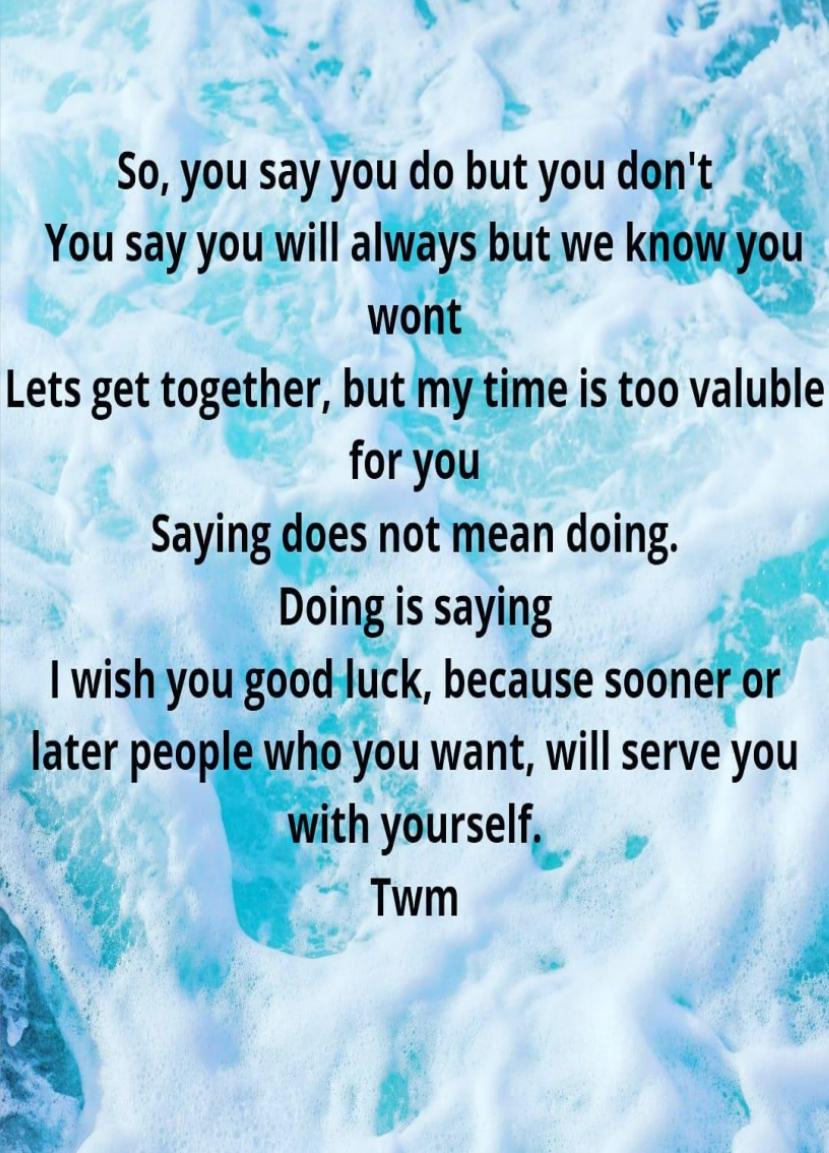
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**Night turns to day
Day brings sunshine
sunshine brings rain
Rain brings life
It can thunder and
cause fright
It cleanses the surface
And you can hear it at
night.**

TWM





So, you say you do but you don't
You say you will always but we know you
wont

Lets get together, but my time is too valuable
for you

Saying does not mean doing.
Doing is saying

I wish you good luck, because sooner or
later people who you want, will serve you
with yourself.

Twm



Hey listen man!...That is not the way it works.If you cross the line, you will jeopardize our livelihoods...we are in the truth and most definitely wont allow you to change our lives, the cost is too much for you to bare.

TWM



Forgive and respect
thats all we ask
love one another as
we did
most importantly
learn to forgive
yourself
TWM

Angel of mercy

Touch us all now!

Angel of love

Help us remembers our vows

Angel of power

Shine kindness and bow

Angel of Decency

Remove terror and never allow

All Angels in heaven

Send forces right now.

TWM





So had she known

I felt her love and beauty and want to help.

Patience guides us to a being calm, never overactive, hating or just simply never throwing love away.

Patience leads us to wisdom, teaching, understanding and helps in guiding the young and innocent to better way of seeing their future...their imagination will run wild and free.

Oh!, if only we had seen this sooner

Things would have been a lot better today..

TWM



*The question is how
Do we follow his words living in such luxury and
excitement
So at some point your going to have to make a choice
Understand the unconscious first then feed it
Blending yesterday with today
Taking the task to be here right now drawing upon
yourself to go forward in his name
Convert yourself to the bigger picture which we are all
one within it.
There will always be the Irony of Humble versus luxury
But it will take humble to get there
The question now is...
How much stimulation will it take to let go of your
origins, connection to any any race or creed to become
one inside of Jesus Christ and let him live?*

TWM



One
He is not about power
He is the powerless
When he weeps he is strong
What is he up to?
He saves all who will take a chance
The bottom will be the top
When you swim in a world of grace
You stop counting
What is true in him
Is true in everything
A cosmic gift of resurrection
For every living creature
A "Judicial" model of salvation for the world
Join in one being one

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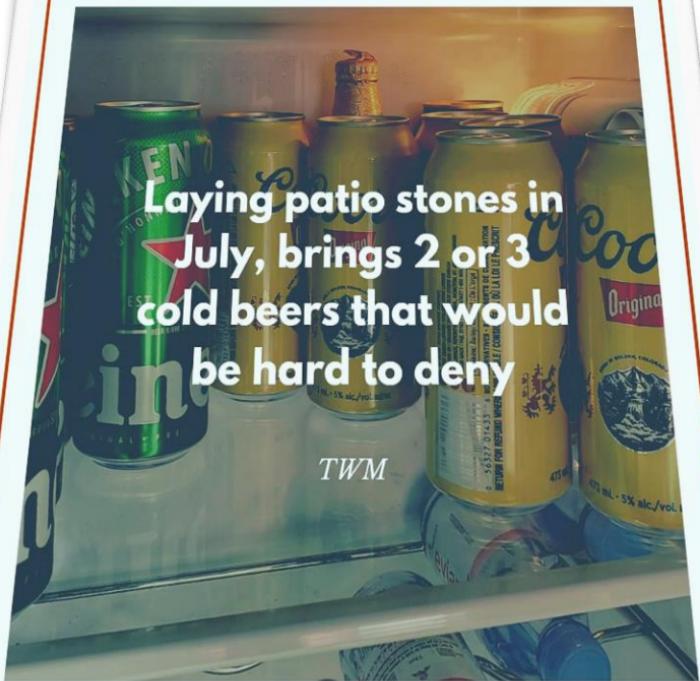


**The Temple lies within
There•in lies heaven or hell
Hate brings hell
Keep it pure
Use love and forgiveness
Honoring your Mother and Father
Loving your neighbour as yourself
Then experience heaven within
The Temple lies within**

Twm

Laying patio stones in
July, brings 2 or 3
cold beers that would
be hard to deny

TWM







A circular image showing a sunset or sunrise over a field of tall, golden-brown grass. The sky is a gradient of warm colors, transitioning from orange and yellow at the horizon to a darker blue at the top. The sun is partially visible on the horizon, casting a warm glow over the landscape.

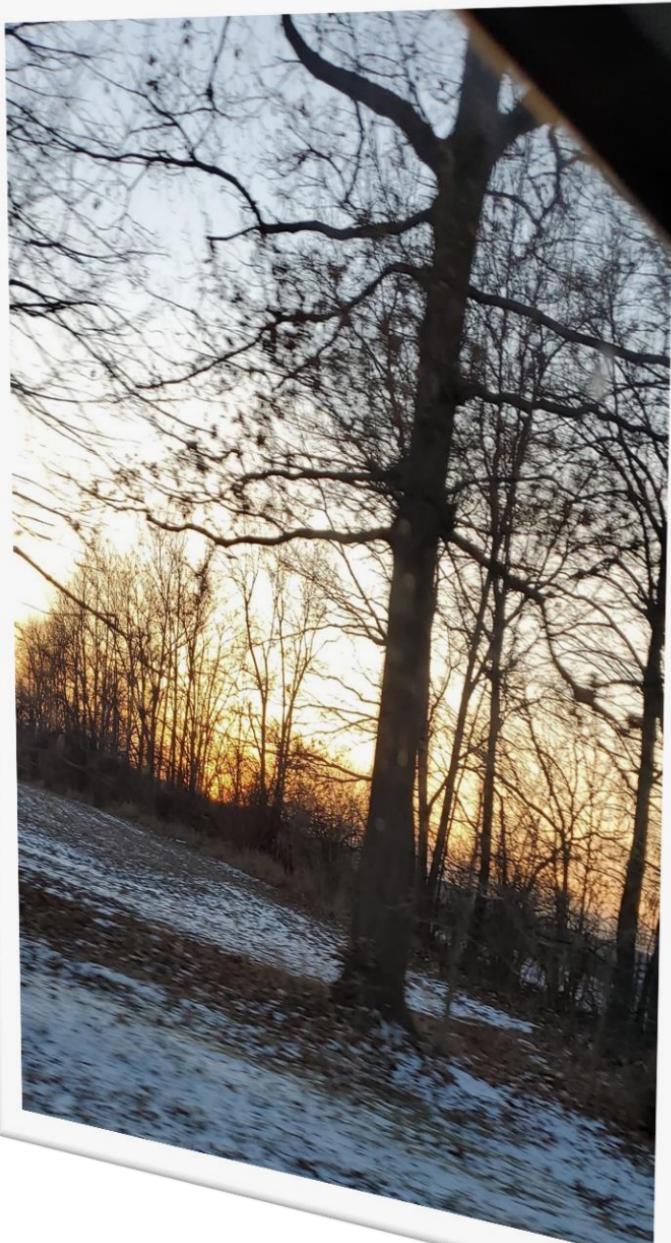
**Try resisting to
correct
Out of respect**

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Refuse to respond to negativity
Paranoia and hate
Refuse to allow that into your heart
Seek that ocean of grace
But dont worry
Through forgiving and patience
Detach and find the open field
Eventually that ocean of grace will draw
you in.

Twm



Dignity would have preserved the
state

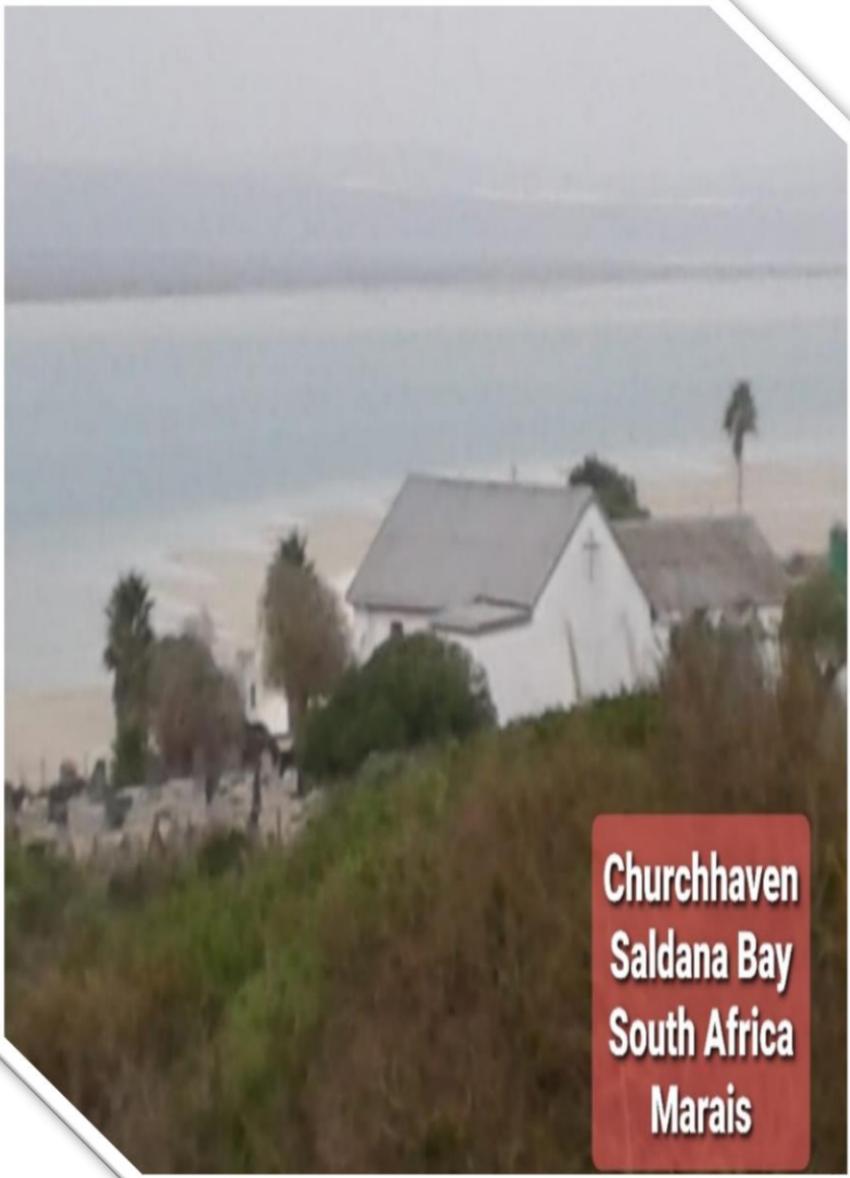
Instead we pollute and waste
Centuries of damage has made it
difficult to erase.

Beautiful creatures are now
endangered and some have
vanished without a trace.

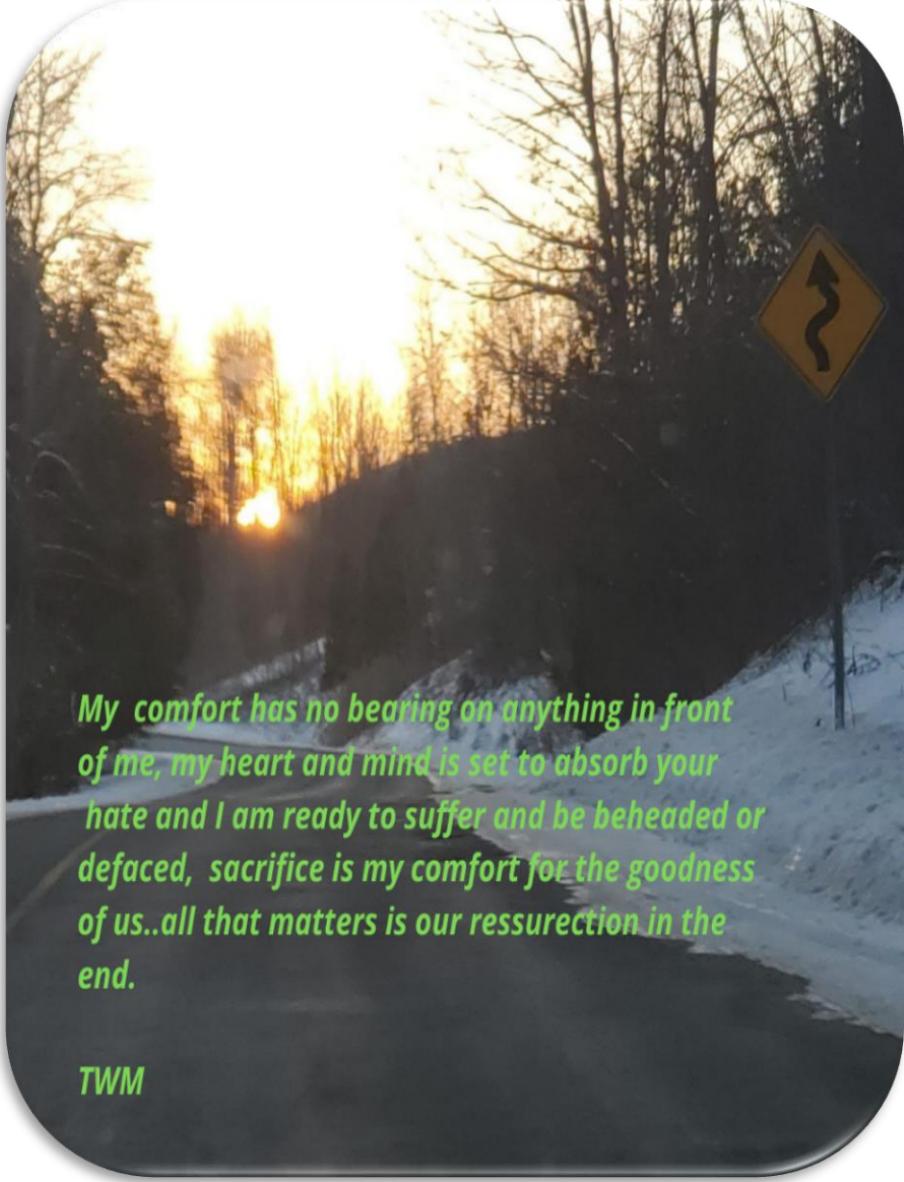
Their dignity wasn't moved to
first place.

So how do we see ourselves fit as
a human race?

TWM



**Churchhaven
Saldana Bay
South Africa
Marais**



My comfort has no bearing on anything in front of me, my heart and mind is set to absorb your hate and I am ready to suffer and be beheaded or defaced, sacrifice is my comfort for the goodness of us..all that matters is our ressurection in the end.

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*Well by the Time I finished a new addition had arrived in the family
Ava.*



*So let's end this chapter off with a smile, please follow me on
www.freshliving.online for my next artistic adventure thank you Trevor
William Marais*