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01. "Oh Lord" - 11/02/2019

The days and nights are long the same
I spend my time, keep alive the flame
Lord come to me and speak my name, Oh Lord
Oh Lord, I'm descending again
Oh Lord, lift me up out of sin
Gift me your shelter, underneath your wing
Give me your strength, strong enough to sing, Oh Lord
So long ago, my life was tame
Balancing seemed just like a game
And when I fell, you caught my fall, Oh Lord
Oh Lord, I'm descending again
Oh Lord, lift me up out of sin
Gift me your hand, show me the way
Back to your garden, where I'll pray, Oh Lord
And now I see, the light shines in
Like morning time, sun rising again
Now here I am, I hear my name, Oh Lord
Oh Lord, I've ascended again
Oh Lord, you caught my fall from sin
Oh Lord, can I stay? In the garden of your way?
Will you keep my soul, rescued by the deep dark hole, Oh Lord
Oh Lord, thank you Lord
Thank you, for your faith in me
Even when I was lost, lost at sea
That sea of madness, tossed and turned to be
Saved by thee

02. "Little Bird" - 02/08/2020

The cello softly sways the flame
Of candles lighting up the pain
A distant fall of waters claim, the sounds beyond
A voice of sorrow joins the air
Songbird singing out a prayer

In the darkness of the night
Moon shining bright
Little bird, are you lost?
Is your hope of daylight tossed?
Little bird, where's your ma?
Has she gone, put her wings to flight?
The wind plays tricks upon the trees
Silent laughter in the breeze
Rocks huddle strength in the ground
Nest being pushed and pulled around
Little bird, are you alone?
Is your hunger like a stone?
Little bird, what is that song?
Has it replaced your love that's gone?
The cello softly sways the flame
Of candles lighting up the pain
A distant fall of waters claim, the sounds beyond
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03. "Angel" - 09/28/2019

For the angel at my bedside
You came and went with the breeze
Now my days and nights are long the same
I wish I knew your name
For the angel at my bedside
You came to me before the dream
You told me all I needed to know
But I can't recall a thing
This heart of mine, is in recovery
This part of yours, has been played
This leaves me longing to see you again

I wish I knew your name
For the angel at my bedside
You came to me after the dream
You told me all I needed to know
But I can't recall a thing
I'd find the most to give in thanks and gratitude
Flowers, love, prayer and song
I'd take you away from this world so cruel
I wish I knew your name
For the angel at my bedside
How I wish I knew your name
How I long to know your name
For now, I'll call you Angel

04. "Fresh Tracks To New Orleans"- 05/28/2000

Looks like, rain from the south, need a friend
Walking down Canal, left on Bourbon Street and the wind
Is reminding me how it used to be
Carry on with my steps, hoping you take time to think of me
You'd think, I'd have a remedy for the pain
But no words can make the sounds that I need to say
And no one knows where it is that I've gone off to this time around
Making fresh tracks in New Orleans
I walk, my face to the wind, storm's steadily moving in
I watch, as rain drives the people, drives the people to shelter again
Feeling drops of pain being washed away
Carry on with my steps hoping you'll think of me someday
Looks like, sun's setting in like a long lost friend
These streets of New Orleans, my friend
Looks like, rain from the south, need a friend
Walking down Canal, left on Bourbon Street and the wind
Is reminding me how it used to be
Carry on with my steps, hoping you take time to think of me
Hope you take time

05. "Grace"- 02/05/2020

Just when I thought, I was saved by grace

All new year resolutions in place
Pendulum's swing, went so far out of sight
And came back to me in the darkest of night
The coldest winter in 29 years
Came and went, left the season unclear
But what I saw in the eastern sky
Was not a star shooting down - but why?
Why it didn't even amaze me much
Just a sign of the times
Nothing surprises me anymore
Brilliant disguises are checked at the door
I know that I've been saved, that rough road was braved
Come spring to fall, crops came in
Blood sweat and tears but we did it again
The harvest moon shone down with a smile
Shaping the festival in traditional style
Some things never change
Just then I knew, that grace had come through
Adjusted sight and visions anew
The sickle blade, sharpened and true
Cut seasons of wither down to few
Why it didn't even amaze me much
Just a sign of the times
Nothing surprises me anymore
Brilliant disguises are checked at the door
I know that we've been saved
And that rough road was braved and paved -
No more, no more darkness, no more loss, no more tears on the fields we
cross

06. "Shade of Blue"- 08/30/1997

While I'm on the road it gets so hard at times
The loneliness starts to wrap round like the vines
But it's easier than when you know, that the one you really love
Will be there thinking just the same as you
And you know you've really found the one for you
When you're heart just wants to die, turning to a shade of blue
Now I sit today and I try to write this song
So many things I've said before have come out sounding wrong

But it's time we need to borrow, cause no one's promised tomorrow
And I need to know if it's really there
And you know you've really found the one for you
When your heart it starts to die, turning to a shade of blue
How do you know? It feels just like a peace long found
How will it grow? A peace that's like a missing sound
Only you will know. Only you will know if it completes your heart and soul
Until then you find a way to make it through another day
If I'm gone I think it's this you need to know
It's only you I think about when I'm on the go
And there should never be a doubt, what this life is all about
Just keep a smile for me until we meet again
And you know you've really found the one for you
When your heart cries out to die, turning to a shade of blue
And you know you've really found the one for you
When your heart cries out to die, turning to a shade of blue

07. "Gone Away" - 99/99/2000

Somewhere inside my mind, I see you perfectly
Here inside this smokey room, cross the bar it's so easy
Imagining you I see, your long hair flowing free
And when you walk the dress against your skin, takes me back to ecstasy
But it's impossible, cause I know you're far from here, you're gone away
Sometimes I dream of you, seems too real to me
Only to wake alone, heart torn, wanna sleep on constantly
But that's impossible, cause the dream's so far from here, it's gone away
Someday I'll stop seeing you, in every woman that I meet
Until then I'll do just what I have to do, to find that missing piece in me
But it's impossible, cause I'm so far from here, I'm gone away

08. "Wheel Turns Round" - 2/05/20

Coming to the end, full circle revolution
Bringing the beginning, of a brand new age
It's all to sing, a brave new song
It's all to bring, a shining new day
The wheel turns round

Went to see a friend, the wise man said a'grin
Don't give up, it's just the new you walkin' in
It's all to begin, to only begin again
It's all to lend, a hand to someone down
The wheel turns round
Watching the wheel, spinning the way a wheel
Goes round and round and round
Waiting to feel, this change is so real
Grows on and on and on - grows on and on
Set aside the time, to finish up that tune
Steady bided rhyme, always comes around soon
It's all a means to the changing of the guard
It's all it seems to be, if ya try to make it hard
The wheel turns round
Watching the wheel, spinning the way a wheel
Goes round and round and round
Waiting to feel, this change is so real
Grows on and on and on - grows on and on
Coming to end, full circle revolution
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09. "Sweet Hooks"- 6/2002- 11/21/05

You've got your sweet hooks in me
You've got me so high above
You've got me turned around, just can't see
My god I'm falling in love
You've got your sweet way with me
You've got me dying to bleed
You've got me burned out, I just can't reach
My god what's everyone see
And it's strange to me, how it feels so free
It came too easily

It was time for a change in me
But it blindsided me
You've got your sweet looks on me
You've got me aching inside
You've got me crawling around, I just can't reach
My God I'm not trying to hide
And it's strange to me, how it feels so free
it came too easily
It was time for a change in me
But it blindsided me

10. "Little Bird Reprise"- 02/16/2020

The cello echoes to a cease
The candle burns in silent peace
Foot steps shuffle to the door, songbird singing prayers for more
Loving eyes upon the nest
Little bird no mother's breast
Weakened hunger put to test, a thirst for living water
Little bird, I'll love you
Bring what you need to make it through
Little bird, just keep a song, along the cello until you are strong
Long nights bleed to longer days
Each grows stronger in a way
The way a love fills the space, empty from loss
Braving fear of the first flight
Growing trust for candle's light
Singing perched upon the sill, strong enough to wet it's own bill
Little bird, how you've grown
True courage under wings you've flown
Little bird, keep our song, we've played together now for so long
The cello softly sways the rays
Of sunshine lighting up the day
A distant fall of water's claim, the sounds beyond
A voice of joy joins the air
Songbird singing out a prayer
Connection made from loving care, it fills the heart
Little bird, how you've grown
True courage under wings you've flown
Little bird, keep our song, we've played together now for so long

11. "Color On Colors"- 10/01/08

Were so sad, made my pups howl
Felt so bad, just couldn't figure out how to tell ya so
The boy in me, wanted to take and run far away from here
Lord knows I've tried my best to steer
Losing control, music coming on so slow, oh but it's sure to come
I just knew I'd find you down at the old swimming hole
Color on colors, swaying the others
Free spirit, would you pull the wings from a butterfly?
But I saw you, yeah I saw you in a dream
Turning thirty three, was an epiphany for me
Seeing the face, seeing the face that made me see
That old heavy burden, that old burden down on me
But I saw you, yeah I saw you in a dream

12. "Amazing Grace" - no lyrics recorded - (instrumental)

13. "Fly Straight" - 6/16/2016 - 2/16/2020

I was like a crashing plane, in a nose dive spin
Screaming down towards the earth, captive of my sins
You were always trying to keep up with me
My mayday went unheard, I never thought you'd follow me
And I pray, yes I pray, that you'll regain control, fly straight
And I dream, yeah I dream, that we're still rock and roll
Thought you saw me straighten out, thought you watched me land
I admit that it was rough, but we were tough back then
I waved for you to join me, but you tipped your wing and flew away
And I pray, yes I pray, that you'll regain control, fly straight
Yeah I dream, yes I dream, that we're still rock and roll
I am a survivor, my hurt beats strong and true
My old plane does not run as fast as it used to
I miss my friend sometimes, tried my best to guide him, but now I see
And I pray, yes I pray, that you'll regain control, fly straight
Yeah I dream, yes I dream, that we're still rock and roll

