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## **LONE JOURNEY**

#### The Bombadils

God's given us years of happiness here Now we must part And as the angels come and call for you The pangs of grief tug at my heart

[CHORUS]
Oh my darling my darling
My heart breaks as you take
Your lone journey

Oh the days will be empty the nights so long Without you my love And as God calls for you I'm left alone But we will meet in heaven above

### [CHORUS]

Fond memories I'll keep of the happy days That on earth we trod And when I come we will walk hand in hand As one in heaven in the family of God

### [CHORUS]





# THERE IS NO DEATH

The Bhagavad Gita: Chapter 2

Mourn not for those that live, nor those that die. Nor I, nor thou, nor any one of these, Ever was not, nor ever will not be, For ever and for ever afterwards.

All, that doth live, lives always! To man's frame As there come infancy and youth and age, So come there raisings-up and layings-down Of other and of other life-abodes, Which the wise know, and fear not....

The soul that with a strong and constant calm Takes sorrow and takes joy indifferently, Lives in the life undying! That which is Can never cease to be; that which is not Will not exist. To see this truth of both Is theirs who part essence from accident, Substance from shadow. Indestructible, Learn thou! the Life is, spreading life through all;

It cannot anywhere, by any means, Be anywise diminished, stayed, or changed.

But for these fleeting frames which it informs With spirit deathless, endless, infinite, They perish...

Never the spirit was born;

the spirit shall cease to be never;

Never was time it was not; End and Beginning are dreams! Birthless and deathless and changeless

remaineth the spirit for ever;

Death hath not touched it at all.

dead though the house of it seems!

Nay, but as when one layeth

His worn-out robes away,

And taking new ones, sayeth,

"These will I wear to-day!"

So putteth by the spirit

Lightly its garb of flesh,

And passeth to inherit

A residence afresh.

I say to thee weapons reach not the Life;

Flame burns it not, waters cannot o'erwhelm,

Nor dry winds wither it. Impenetrable,

Unentered, unassailed, unharmed, untouched,

Immortal, all-arriving, stable, sure,

Invisible, ineffable, by word

And thought uncompassed, ever all itself,

Thus is the Soul declared! How wilt thou, then,--

Knowing it so,--grieve when thou shouldst not grieve?

How, if thou hearest that the man new-dead

Is, like the man new-born, still living man--

One same, existent Spirit--wilt thou weep?

The end of birth is death; the end of death
Is birth: this is ordained! and mournest thou,
Chief of the stalwart arm! for what befalls
Which could not otherwise befall? The birth
Of living things comes unperceived; the death
Comes unperceived; between them, beings perceive:
What is there sorrowful herein, dear Prince?





# **Ride Forever**

### **Paul Gross**

Well I was born north of Great Slave, 1898 And I rode near all my life on a ranch near Devil's Gate And I've seen this world about me, bend and flip and change Hey, it feels like rain -- that's a thunder cloud We'll, I've been called a coward, but I've seen two World Wars And I lost my son, Virgil, my Korean reward And my Lucy died last summer -- you ask me if I cry? Hell, I'll show you tears, they're all over this ground They're falling from these blue Alberta skies

We're gonna ride forever You can't keep horsemen in a cage Should the angels call, well it's only then I might pull in the reins

They tell me I'm an old man, they tell me I am blind
They took my driver's license, this house ain't far behind
I say jump back all you big suits 'cause you've got something wrong
I ain't gone, no, I ain't gone
I am still breathing and I still have my pride
And I have my memories, your life, it never dies
Like the wind that blows in thunder
Or the stallion on the fly, I got it all
And I'm standing tall underneath these blue Alberta skies



We're gonna ride forever You can't keep horsemen in a cage Should the angels call, well it's only then I might pull in the reins

So I say to all you old men, don't let yourself get broke If you think the world's gone crazy And it's scratching at your throat It's time to dust off that old saddle, get it on a horse Kick up your spurs, we're gonna run like stink We're gonna tear across these blue Alberta skies

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# THE GHOSTS THAT HAUNT ME

### **The Crash Test Dummies**

There's a skeleton in everybody's closet I can think of one or two in my own room But I would like to introduce them both to you You'd shake their bony hands and so dispel the gloom

[CHORUS]
'Cause you're so kind
I know you would not mind
You'd send away the ghosts that haunt me now
And the things I fear
Just wouldn't seem so near



And when I stroll out late at night There would be nothing rattling at my hells

There are nights when all my aching bones won't let me sleep And demons come to plague me as I lie in bed But I know if you were sleeping there beside me then That you could fend them off and they would let me rest

### [CHORUS]

There are nights

When the wind comes howling through my old place I have dreams

And I wake up with the sweat pouring down my face And I wait till the morning comes

There will come a time I fear when all my days are done And they will come collect my corpse and bury me And then I hope you'll come over to the Other Side To join me in our new life, keep me company

### [CHORUS]

# MAGIC Ben Fold Five

From the back of your big brown eyes I knew you'd be gone as soon as you could And I hoped you would We could see that you weren't yourself And the lines on your face did tell It's just as well You'd never be yourself again

Saw you last night
Dance by the light of the moon
Stars in your eyes
Free from the life that you knew
You're the magic that holds the sky up from the ground

You're the breath that blows these cool winds 'round Trading places with an angel now Saw you last night Dance by the light of the moon Stars in your eyes Free from the life that you knew Saw you last night Stars in your eyes Smiled in my room





# You Raise Me Up

Secret Garden

When I am down and, oh my soul, so weary When troubles come and my heart burdened be

Then, I am still and wait here in the silence Until You come and sit awhile with me.

You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains You raise me up, to walk on stormy seas I am strong, when I am on your shoulders You raise me up to more than I can be

You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains You raise me up, to walk on stormy seas I am strong, when I am on your shoulders You raise me up to more than I can be.

There is no life 'no life without its hunger; Each restless heart beats so imperfectly; But when you come and I am filled with wonder

Sometimes, I think I glimpse eternity

You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains You raise me up, to walk on stormy seas I am strong, when I am on your shoulders

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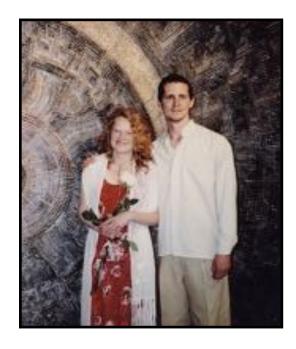
# HANGING BY A MOMENT

Lifehouse (Boyce Avenue Cover)

Desperate for changing Starving for truth I'm closer to where I started I'm chasing after you

### [CHORUS]

I'm falling even more in love with you
Letting go of all I've held on to
I'm standing here until you make me move
I'm hanging by a moment here with you
Forgetting all I'm lacking
Completely incomplete
I'll take your invitation
You take all of me now





### [CHORUS]

I'm living for the only thing I know I'm running and not quite sure where to go And I don't know what I'm diving into Just hanging by a moment here with you

There's nothing else to lose There's nothing else to find There's nothing in the world That can change my mind There is nothing else There is nothing else There is nothing else

Desperate for changing Starving for truth I'm closer to where I started I'm chasing after you

### [CHORUS]

I'm living for the only thing I know I'm running and not quite sure where to go And I don't know what I'm diving into Just hanging by a moment here with you

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# MAN OF THE HOUR Pearl Jam

Tidal waves don't beg forgiveness Crashed and on their way Father he enjoyed collisions, others walked away A snowflake falls in May

And the doors are open now As the bells are ringing out 'Cause the man of the hour Is taking his final bow Goodbye for now

Nature has its own religion Gospel from the land Father ruled by long division Young men they pretend Old men comprehend



And the sky breaks at dawn Shedding light upon this town They'll all come around 'Cause the man of the hour Is taking his final bow Goodbye for now

And the road
The old man paved
The broken seams along the way
The rusted signs, left just for me
He was guiding me, love, his own way

Now the man of the hour is taking his final bow As the curtain comes down I feel that this is just goodbye for now

### **OVER THE RAINBOW**

### **Harold Arlen & Yip Harburg**

Somewhere over the rainbow,
way up high
There's a land that I heard of once
in a lullaby
Somewhere over the rainbow,
skies are blue
And the dreams that you dare
to dream
Really do come true

Someday I'll wish upon a star And wake up where the clouds are far behind me Where troubles melt like lemon drops Away above the chimney tops That's where you'll find me

Somewhere over the rainbow Bluebirds fly Birds fly over the rainbow Why, then, oh, why can't I?

If happy little bluebirds fly Beyond the rainbow Why, oh, why can't I?







### **SOLSBURY HILL**

#### Peter Gabriel

Climbing up on Solsbury Hill I could see the city light Wind was blowing, time stood still Eagle flew out of the night

He was something to observe Came in close, I heard a voice Standing, stretching every nerve I had to listen, had no choice

I did not believe the information
Just had to trust imagination
My heart going "Boom-boom-boom"
"Son", he said
"Grab your things, I've come to take you

home"

To keep in silence I resigned My friends would think I was a nut Turning water into wine Open doors would soon be shut

So I went from day to day Though my life was in a rut 'Til I thought of what I'd say Which connection I should cut

I was feeling part of the scenery
I walked right out of the machinery
My heart going "Boom-boom-boom"
"Hey", he said
"Grab your things, I've come to take you home"
Hey, back home

When illusion spin her net I'm never where I wanna be And liberty, she pirouette When I think that I am free

Watched by empty silhouettes Who close their eyes but still can see No one taught them etiquette I will show another me

Today I don't need a replacement I'll tell them what the smile on my face meant



My heart going "Boom-boom" "Hey," I said, "You can keep my things, they've come to take me home"



## **KEEP HAULING**

### Fisherman's Friends

When love just seems so far away Keep haulin', keep haulin' The tide will flood your heart someday Keep haulin' boys

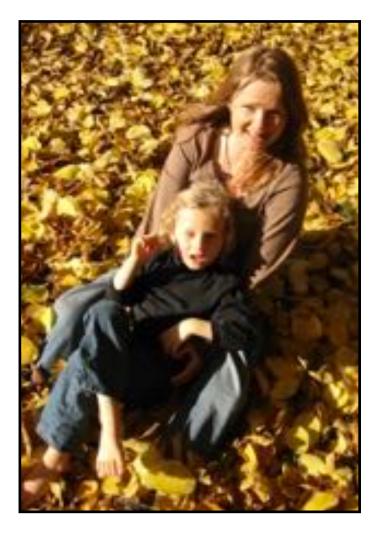
When your guidin' star's in cloudy skies Keep haulin', keep haulin' You'll find your way to the bright sunrise Keep haulin' boys

### [CHORUS]

Keep haulin', ho-ooo
Rouse and raise your voice
Hold your course and don't let go
Keep haulin' boys

If you gave your best and your heart stayed true Keep haulin', keep haulin' There's only one thing left to do Keep haulin' boys

If you fought so hard and you lost your hold
Keep haulin', keep haulin'
Remember fate rewards the bold
Keep haulin' boys



### [CHORUS]

Whatever your ship and wherever your sea Keep haulin', keep haulin' Whatever your storm or your rocks may be Keep haulin' boys

### [CHORUS]



# I DANCED IN THE MORNING Sydney Carter

I danced in the morning when the world was begun, And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth, At Bethlehem I had my birth.

### [CHORUS]

Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. And I'll lead you all wherever you may be, And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee, But they would not dance and they would not follow me; I danced for the fishermen, for James and John; They came to me and the dance went on.

### [CHORUS]

I danced on the sabbath when I cured the lame, The holy people said it was a shame; They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high; And they left me there on a cross to die.

### [CHORUS]

I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black; It's hard to dance with the devil on your back; They buried my body and they thought I'd gone, But I am the dance and I still go on.

### [CHORUS]

They cut me down and I leapt up high, I am the life that'll never, never die; I'll live in you if you'll live in me; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.



"If I had a flower for every time I thought of you...
I could walk through my garden forever."

— Alfred Tennyson









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