

# How I Avoid The Void

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Sometimes is hard to remember,  
Who is who, in a big world,  
To talk, to run, to learn, to see  
To share, in music, words, & poetry  
Of direction, and in direction,  
In the understanding  
Of life, in life, for life, just happy to be  
Don't forget mum and dad,  
Wishes to wishes,  
Dreams to Dreams,  
Hope and out standing  
In this world to understand  
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## Expressions of What Once Was

Expressions of what once was  
Expressions of what will be  
Expressions of how it is  
Expressions with, or without a pen  
Don't leave the writings on the floor  
Hold it in your loving arms  
Empty sounds on passing by-ways  
For these are the words  
Across the papers of time  
Each space within itself  
Unravelling tear drops  
In the garden of our time  
Man as woman do write  
Each space within its self

## Reflections of the Night

Empty smiles in broken faces  
In the dark of what is right  
Holding on to something  
Laugh with all your might  
If you don't know the answer  
Can you feel it in your heart  
From heart strings of summer  
The moon reflects so bright  
Of silence feeling of the winter  
Warming bones by fire light  
Reflecting on the rain drops  
Lighten stardust on my window pain  
Sunlight from the never ever  
Snow flakes drift through time

## Second Time Around

Walking through concrete slabs  
That are bound to fall in all  
For time, looks with its self  
Waiting for no body  
Pulling down and starting again  
The night outside this cold cave light  
Did I see the clouds forming  
Sunshine always passes  
Shadows fall in loving memory  
Yesterday can be once more  
As tomorrow is such a long way

## Life is Just

Life is just to fast to keep up with  
In this fast lane  
One day cold summer  
One day hot winter  
Everything in its all  
When it rains it pours  
Melbourne is still the same  
Looking out my window  
Lemon scented tea leaves  
I see a man called Noah  
Collecting the children  
Two by two  
Hey Noah  
What are you building for?

## Music In a Song

Dancing shadows will wash away  
Kiss the sun which welcomes the day  
From all pains of life we run the storm  
Yesterday has come and gone

Candles burn as wax rolls down  
Hearts open may not be wrong  
Love its said is the finest thing  
Or there's music in a song

Broken dreams quickly faded  
Floating beds where we ride  
Seasons change then quickly fall  
For desire holds some keys

Love walk hand in hand  
Making music to their souls  
Don't ask why flowers grow?  
All these fields are dust and cold

Half grown memories quickly fall  
Dreams subside into the night  
Who knows why birds do sing?  
Passing by this open door

Sing it soft so the world may rise  
Love can be the sweet's thing  
Dreams are not what they seem  
Flowers bend in the blowing mist

Rain falls down on everything  
Your heart should know  
What time does bring  
Or there's music in a song

## Is There Any Peace?

Is there any peace  
In this land, on the earth  
And in the sky?  
I have seen border lines  
Full of blood  
Lying everywhere, for no reason  
They die for little understanding  
Soaking fresh land  
With grave stones of tomorrow  
High above  
Flies shadows of yester years  
Don't look down, don't look back  
Is there any peace  
In this land, on the eart  
And in the sky?  
Keep on asking why  
And when will it end?  
Pollution, acid rains, smog  
Pollutes  
So people can't breathe  
Trees give us life  
Clear the air  
Plant and then grow life  
Instead of dying rort everywhere  
Man burns  
In the end  
Is there any peace?

## Freedom, Love, Hate

Freedom, love, hate  
Why do these relate  
Could love be better?  
To give and to take  
Life once lived once  
In this battle of each brain  
Come sister, come brother  
Unite in this  
Love this night  
Love the night in rising  
Of the dawn

## Time Is

Time is the biggest killer of man  
But without it  
We were long ago  
In the void of blowing sands  
Until I ran into you  
Thank you, you saved me  
My shirt, my soul, my eggs  
All scrambled  
Dreams of awaking  
Memories of tones  
Rolling over in the clear dawn  
Blue crickets, red birds  
Singing hearts together  
With all life seeking  
Walking, talking, loving  
Before grapefruits of the tree  
Before, nothing searching  
All voices

## We Eat

We eat in excess  
Read by midnight oil  
Get out of dire straits  
Breathe in the air supply  
But are only left  
With the bare essentials

## Who Knows?

Who knows, who cares?  
Music in books, records or films  
Good and bad, as it is  
People search for inner peace  
Some climb high, some fall  
Others not at all  
People rush for insight  
Strong base and filling  
My view is two rye with butter  
Soup and rice  
Fish without the chips  
And green vegetables  
Love of life  
And vibrator  
With flat batteries

## Every Man

Every man has his side  
Every woman needs her child  
Every day a little shorter  
Every season has a day  
Daylight, night time dust and dawn  
Blue and red over head  
Summer heat, winter snow  
Who cares, off they go  
Every man in himself  
For I remember  
Trees and wildlife  
Still something to see  
I live near a river  
The river Yarra  
That runs so free  
As we danced, the flames  
Rose high in the air  
The smell of gum tree  
Still everywhere  
Ten years can go quickly  
I no longer dream  
This beautiful city  
Is no longer clean  
I'm going away somewhere  
Get away from it all  
Where I can breathe the air  
And be free from it all  
So many roads  
That lead to who knows where?  
A river and eucalyptus

## Escape

She feels sorry, she feels sad  
For every little thing we had  
I hope her feelings are better  
With the lost lover  
Holding tight to everything  
I felt hurt, I felt bad  
But a new day dawns  
The sun shines through  
Warming the ground of sorrow  
Where love only found both  
As for the winds, blowing cold change  
New love dawns in reason of tomorrow  
Rolling pass windows  
Rattling around cities and trains  
Sally sang her song, drifting into space  
Words are fading quickly, memory's still the same  
Scraping wheels, just riding on a carriage  
Complaining of the weather  
Rolling by this doors of windows  
Wondering what time to make  
Rolling by, rolling by empty  
Spinning wheels that can't complain  
Riding this very night

## You've Got a Lot to Learn

You've got a lot to learn  
How to make your bed  
How to wake on call on time  
In all these things of love  
You've got a lot to learn  
About our universe, about our planet  
About times in twine  
In heaven do we trust  
The paths your if known  
Heaven's above  
For want of a better word  
Find my time  
Don't read between the lines

## Love Will Find a Way

Love will find a way  
To your heart  
Love will find away  
Let it start, let it start  
For love that is made  
Is but one

Love  
Love  
Love is  
Love is what  
Love is what is  
Love is what  
Love is  
Love

## Where Do We Start?

The key is to understand  
In insight of understanding  
Where do we start?  
Where do we end?  
From this heart that's beginning  
Words are deep within  
Empty sounds prevail nothing  
Of something which is ours  
Within two hearts beat  
As one, two mouths speak  
Whatever it is?  
It should be  
As apple dipped in honey  
Sweet

## Born In

Born yes in Carlton  
In a sign of wonder  
Near a university  
Factory wing department  
Grew up hard, grew up clean  
Grew up to the power of ten  
Travelled about, here and there  
Heart to heart, left to stare  
For children of this planet  
I help find my music  
Catching a rainbow  
I followed, loved and played  
I'd like to see the new age  
Essence is change  
Of productivity  
Essence is change

## Existence Needs No Reason

Existence needs no reason  
Matter needs no meaning  
Simple logic earthly beings  
Such as us  
The fact we smile is not enough  
We should have faith  
As we must in something  
False Explanations of life  
Are not ever enough  
Take hold of each rest  
Cast your mind back to the west  
All that eternal  
Is the temple in us all  
Compelling moment without reason  
A solitary journey through aimless, directions,  
Unending exposed  
The shadows of love sometimes touch,  
Like autumn winds  
Spirit exist here in heart

## We Dream

We dream at night, we dream at day  
Of stimuli or fantasy  
Of sands of time not blown away  
Of trouble in far off lands  
Wherever water spills in distant rains  
Even summer ends with shifting sands  
A hill finds and does reach hills alone  
Who just a man and woman  
Hands in hands  
Of this I know  
In peace under one sun

## Time

Time is something that we should know about  
But is it hard to define what it is  
Perhaps one definition truly complete  
Time is based on time  
We know that it always changes into one direction  
No matter how it is, it was  
We Can never return to the pass  
Sands and water  
Shadows and wheels  
Now quartz is a crystallized compound  
The three atoms of silicon dioxide  
Stable form in structure  
Madam Currie's boys in 1889 discovered  
Its insight into quartz  
Everything started from something  
And I was a watchmaking watchmaker  
Keeping time

## Penny

Penny you were a candle to me  
Childhood lover was it meant to be  
Young we were, no love in time  
Glad to be all lone  
Strolling, talking, walking  
Under tents at dark night  
Oh how I remember thee  
No wings of flight  
In endless dreams  
Looking back we have grown  
Though plains unknown  
A first touch  
Come man be strong  
Never mind  
Parting winds of music  
Fur a Elise, left by the seas  
Ten minutes left alone  
First candle  
Space in a room, no flame in mind  
Many years ago to this day  
I lived my life as in song  
A cool breeze bliss in time and space  
Finding life and love as now  
Sometimes I wander

## One Man's Road to Freedom

Of the first song I wrote  
Written as if a joke  
Listening at Beethoven at 45  
I took his first two values  
Addling in the Brain  
Echoes of dum, dum, de, dum  
How could it in madness  
To view Dumb de, de, dumb  
Then one day my teacher said those precious words  
That everything we were learning would change  
This really blue my mind apart  
To the factor of nil to nothing  
Those last days of school came quickly  
I show then what was inside  
I stood right up to the P.A.  
And wiped my blue harp in A Flat  
To show the traveller what versed  
Those notes came back so quickly  
With a real line to curse  
Dum, dum, de, dumb  
Put it in reverse  
Dum, de, dum, dumb  
Only one man freedom  
Dum, De, Dum, dumb  
They said  
It's really got a beat, so sweet  
We sang it on the buses  
We sang it on the streets  
We eat it for our breakfast  
We stamped it with our feet  
It's really rocked the town  
In Sunbury

## It's Not Always Christmas

It's not always Christmas, the day of good will  
One day of all presents, a days of good food  
A child they say, one prince of peace and standing  
Was born on that day, forward he lived for the will of man  
No war is good for nothing, people have their light  
It's not always Christmas, the day of good will  
And children cry in hunger, bullets, deep inside  
So why can't every day be a day to remember?  
Forming a race, without a trace?  
On a road, not much feared, of this I know  
Today its not 1782, but near to 2000  
The years roll by, still one day, the sun will shine  
So smile every morning, greet the new day  
Sing to yourself, and remember  
Good tides will come  
Laugh when you can  
Enjoy the tear drops and wipe those eyes  
It's not always Christmas, but the goodwill should last all year

## Oh Welcome

Oh welcome to Australia  
The land of many roads  
Did you know that there's enough  
Land here to grow  
For all this world to grow  
In our schools and in our plains  
Feed the dying nations, flower desert sands  
Oh welcome to Australia  
Where these days belong  
In a world that's free  
Rain, sunshine, peaceful sands  
That blows as the wind  
In this country called Australia  
Oh welcome to Australia,  
The land where I was born  
We have travelled around all waters  
Still calling our home, sweet home  
For our soldiers died in many lands  
Our country was fighting free  
As to keep our loving history  
From convicted once slaves  
From searching gold passports  
From roaming tribes  
From lands of bloodshed misery  
We share together, oh welcome

## Forgotten Days

Barbara, time to open your eyes again  
Greet the daylight, the sun does bring  
For love is open, as a friendship ring  
A time to smile, to win and do your thing  
No cooking, no cleaning, I'm at your door  
For love is open, ask no more  
Next day open to sign a paper  
Let this sunshine through, he loves you  
Wedding rings, open up and say hello  
Barbara, time to stay awake one more night  
Dance and laugh, a diamond for joy  
With wedding party to hit the floor  
So say hello, to what's his name  
Play and dance our time away  
Tomorrow is just to live  
Until the morning staying in his arms  
Barbara, time to open your eyes again  
Greet the daylight, which the sun brings

## To Say

To say, we are of the land?  
To say, we were born?  
To say, do you understand?  
How is it to feel, visions of endless nights  
Of days without light?  
Fixed with sunglasses  
To say, the sun burns  
Why cry?  
Still left alone  
To say, long walks, small talks  
Feelings of expression  
To say, reach out, from the icy winds  
Hair blown in the gale  
To say, cry for love  
I remember the words, to say

## In The Chilly, Chilly Morning

In the chilly, chilly, morn, outside the old city  
Some people were singing to the pale of the moon  
I remember praising one heart for playing nightly  
That time went to quick, not living in old dreams  
We see life for what it is, our hair down to please  
Are we satisfied, or ever alone doing what we need

Time quickly goes by we don't live these dreams  
Satisfied we were, lying in this troublesome cave  
Can we take it until the end?  
Who should we turn to a friend?  
The night split open, a voice vibing sands  
Lay your troubles down low  
We'll take it as comes and goes

## The Wind

I am one with the wind  
Which blows, in no direction  
Gather seeds of dust  
Seeing into the storm  
You are one with the wind  
Which blows in no direction  
Bringing forth the dust  
Seeing into the storm  
We are one with the wind  
Which blows in no direction  
Bringing seeds of thought  
Gather in the storm  
In silence drops of tomorrow  
Easing from today  
When the clouds open  
To wash and purifies  
Everything washes clean

## For Samson

And the shadows danced around the wall  
Round and round the reflections did call  
With a cloud of dust from harden feet  
Shaking everything but sweet time

Love that has grown years  
Sadly turns into salt burning tears  
There will never be another life said he  
Good bye cruel sea caved in the stage door  
I often wonder why should I cry?  
If I haven't turn the page to find meaning  
Life it grows from a spark in the void of time  
A burning bush, a single cloud, a line of thought  
Philistines no more

## Looking For Love

How many times are you sitting in a pub?  
With no beer drinking, just drinking  
Waiting for the cows to come home  
There's buzzards everywhere, no beer  
No, no, flies on me, our nation of water drinkers  
A horse from one race jumps over low hedges  
Of this heart strings body and soul  
Drunk in the smell of dust heaps  
With not a signal song to write  
The night sinks into Cinderella  
Do I have to walk you home?  
With a fiend insight  
It's not the beer  
I think it's the heart strings of my heart  
Did someone say breast, a piece of life  
Summer time in June?  
Winter time in spring  
Finding the sky from the floor  
Black dress, white dress  
All in all real mess  
These words I part

## Summertime Dream One & Two

Who is hurt or never alone  
Inside or out just us be  
Because loved did we  
Shining down blades of grass  
The shadows of love sometimes disappear  
As autumn winds this sea will never dry  
The aimless visions of old cheesed moons  
Existing in his heart, as you as me  
A swan spreads its wings to show its feathers true  
Only hiding tears when tears arrive  
Oh love of life rest your wings carry me not away  
My soul as yours on two straight winds  
May it keep us on the grounds of love  
Finding the answer that you must  
In everything which life brings true  
With hot air ballons dancing in high  
Unseen this love, I find myself homing  
A dove are you, beauty of love this you are  
Come sit with me, wild bird of peaceful future  
While it is me who dreams  
Dreams of dream gathering us  
Woods, flower for this nest  
I will be your if you be  
And we together are love in making  
Naked not as the sun, clothed as the stars  
Twinkling as they, in boundary of this  
Say good night one more time

## Time and Space

Come with us through time and space  
A place you will see  
Far away life itself  
In peace and harmony  
Time will stand still for just a day  
As the children play  
No voices sing their hearts away  
It echo through our land  
Minute comes and minute goes  
Then it fades not in vain  
Oh let it drift into wind  
Until it does decay  
You or I could change this world  
With no thought in mind  
For we may live and we may die  
Does life begin at birth  
Oh don't leave us all, alone this way  
To see the morning come  
Give us bread and water  
Until our day complete  
For people come as people go  
Can we never have enough  
As that fool on that enough  
As that fool on that hill  
We're struggling for a wife  
If I bring my children up to feel  
Just what just what they say  
Time and space

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