# WHEN YOU WERE A TADPOLE AND I WAS A FISH

GREEN MAN

#### EVOLUTION (Adapted from poem by Langdon Smith, 1909)

## MIDNIGHT ROOM (A. Theriault)

Come into my Midnight Room. Everything is blooming, always blooming in my Midnight Room. Everything is blooming, always blooming in my bright blue Midnight Room.

# EVOLUTION DIED (A. Theriault)

You've been gone for a while, could you send something new? A different idea, something we could use. The colors are bright, the air is clear. If you sent in a signal, maybe we could hear. The words of thousands of years. The promises, the breaths on the ear. The blood of the oceans of man. The love to begin again. Evolution Died on the day you were born. Evolution Died. Evolution Died on the day you were born, Darwin said good-bye and went down in the storm. You've been gone for a while now, could you send something new? A different idea, something we could use. The colors are bright, the air is clear. If you send in a signal we're ready to hear. Evolution, Revolution. We need the words of thousands of years. The promises, the breaths on the ear. The blood of the oceans of man. The love to begin again.

## $10{:}45 \ (A.\,Theriault)$

I wish I was small in my sins. I wish that I made very soft angel sighs. I wish I was small in my sins. I wish that I had very large angel eyes...10:45...I wish I could stay the hands of fear. I wish that I could calm the beast inside my head. I wish I could allay the hands of fear. I wish that I could stop the color of this red. I want the morning sliding up between my toes, dancing in her yellow velvet robe, oh. 10:45, you're still alive. 10:45, I can still cry. I wish I was small in my sins. I wish that I made very soft angel sighs. I wish I was small in my sins. I wish that I had very large angel eyes. I want the morning sliding up between my toes, dancing in her yellow velvet robe. 10:45, you're still alive. 10:45, I can still cry.

# ANGELS OF JANE (A. Theriault)

He was strength and grace, he wore Tuesday's face. He had far to go, time to waste. He was the wind on the wave, he was the music he played. He was the tears he saved, he was a love slave. She flies down to you, she makes sweet and sour love to you. He had friends from above, he had sisters in love. He dragged Marley's chain, he heard the Angels of Jane. They partied under the floor, gave him visions and more-light years more than he bargained for. Through the orange and red, he drifted over his bed. Send him back to us instead. She flies down to you, she makes sweet and sour love to you.

## TAKE COMFORT (A. Theriault)

I don't know your loss. That bridge I have yet to cross. I don't know your loss. Don't know that heavy hole in your heart. But I know your eyes, eyes I've loved since they were a little child's. You'll know my loss. Your steady hand will help me cross. And I'll know your eyes, eyes I've loved since they were a little child's. Take Comfort here. Take Comfort here. I will know your eyes. I'll know your eyes. Take Comfort here.

#### DIVING BELL (K. Eros)

Is it the wine drawing you in? Free the brake, heart flutters and aches as we begin. But my Diving Bell slips into the well. Empty the place without you near. Mine to erase, the brine and taste, and the years. My Diving Bell slips into the well of sorrow again. Framed against the leaden sky, stars fall from your eyes. We disappear. Unfolding her wings. Moving the straw. Counting the ways and sheep and strings left to pull. Her Diving Bell slips into the well...and she flies.

## WHENYOU WAKE UP (A. Theriault)

What do you do, and what do you say When You Wake Up with your dreams so far away? What do you do, and where do you go when you win the war but you lose your soul? Lean to the left, slide to the right. Believe what they say, believe a reason to fight. Wave a weary flag and pump up your fear, 'cause Bush and bombs and Bin Laden been here. Where do you work and how do you vote? Are you a jerk, how many gurus can you quote? Where do you live and what do you wear? Do you forgive and how much do you care? What's your color? What's your race? Who's your confessor? Who cuts your face? Are you so straight? Do you just say no? Do you love or hate? Where does your money go? Are you still a Deadhead? Do you cry out loud? Do you seek the sacred? That'll do for now. Do you stick yourselves with needles, make each other grin? She sells seashells, you drink your drink of gin. Lean to the left, slide to the right. Count the cost of freedom in the children's eyes.

Put your head to bed, your reason to rest. Let Bush have his bombs, let the priest molest and lean to the left, slide to the right. Believe what they say, believe a reason to fight. Wave a weary flag and cut up your fear, 'cause Bush and bombs and Bin Laden been here. What do you do, what do you say When You Wake Up with your dreams so far away? Where have you been and what's in that tea? Did you see God? Baby, save some for me.

#### GOD IS (K. Eros, A. Theriault)

God Is playing, God's at rest. God just beat his all time best. God Is great, God Is gold. God Is shaking off the fold. God Is goodness, God Is light. God Is friendly fire at midnight. God Is bloodwood on your back. God knows every shade of black. It's so easy to love and easy to hate a little too much. It's a little too late. God Is winking at the same sex...Cloaked in robes and Semtex...Proffering a holy hand...Hang-ing 'round the promised land...Eternally misunderstood. God has left the neighborhood. God's your neighbor, God's your wife. God's word is judicial writ. God stood by as she lost her life--God's gonna help her find it. God Is foreclosing on the West Bank...Dishing out the yellow-cake...Rising tides and shifting sand...Begging for change in Pakistan. The kids ain't running things the way that they should. God's disappointed and that ain't good. God's disappointed. God Is. Love.

#### BEDTIME WITH SALLY (A. Theriault)

The dye is cast. It ain't the pen but how the ink runs. It ain't the words but the tale that's spun. It ain't the law but the powers that be. It ain't the bee but how you got stung. It ain't the bird but her feathers in flight. It ain't the jury but why they got hung. Sally's got an assignation, a meeting in the sun. It ain't the West but how it was won. It's bedtime, it's Bedtime With Sally. It ain't the walk but those on the way. It ain't the score but how it was played. It ain't the trip but what did you see? Color cartoons for you, a little vision for me. It ain't the bomb but whose hand's on the red. And yes, it's the child and how many went dead. Sally's got an assignation, a meeting in the sun. It ain't the West but how it was won. It's Bedtime With Sally. The pens have been lifted, the ink has dried. No cheers for the gifted, no tears for the bride. Sally's got an assignation, a meeting in the sun. It ain't the best but now it's done. The ink has dried. Open the pod bay doors, Sal. Is this the end, the wind on a swell? Is that a smile from two thousand twelve? Is this the end, the wind on a swell? Is that a wave from two thousand twelve? Is that a smile from two thousand twelve? Is this the end, the wind on a swell? Is that a smile from two thousand twelve? Is that a smile?

LIKE BLUE SKY (A. Theriault)

 $\sim$  For Deborah Quinn  $\sim$ 

Her eyes shine, her arms open. Her love gives Like Blue Sky. Her eyes shine for you, her arms open for you. And her love gives to you Like Blue Sky.



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When You Were a Tadpole and I Was a Fish. In the Paleozoic time. And side by side on the ebbing tide We sprawled through the ooze and slime. Or skittered with many a caudal flip Through the depths of the Cambrian fen, My heart was rife with the joy of life, For I loved you even then. Mindless we lived and mindless we loved, And mindless at last we died; And deep in a rift of the Caradoc drift We slumbered side by side. The world turned on in the lathe of time, The hot lands heaved amain, Till we caught our breath from the womb of death, And crept into light again. We were Amphibians, scaled and tailed, And drab as a dead man's hand; We coiled at ease 'neath the dripping trees. Or trailed through the mud and sand. Croaking and blind, with our three-clawed feet Writing a language dumb. With never a spark in the empty dark To hint at a life to come. Yet happy we lived, and happy we loved. And happy we died once more; Our forms were rolled in the clinging mold Of a Neocomian shore. The eons came and the eons fled, And the sleep that wrapped us fast When  $e^{int}$   $e^{int}$  Was riven away in a newer day, And the night of death was past. Then light and swift through the jungle trees We swung in our airy flights. Or breathed in the balms of the fronded palms. In the hush of the moonless nights. and breath by breath, and death by death, and breath by breath, and death by death, came a time in the law of life When over the soul awoke In a strange, dim dream Were gowned in your glorious h When the night fell o'er the play And oh! what beautiful years were these. When filled, and our senses thrilled In the first faint love, We passed through the cycles strange, ed built We followed the chain of change. Till there came a time in the law of life When over the nursing sod The shadows broke, and the soul awoke In a strange, dim dream of Unauthorize God. I was thewed like an Auroch bull, And tusked like the great Cave Bear; And you, my sweet, from head to feet, Were gowned in your glorious hair. Deep in the gloom of a fireless cave. When the night fell o'er the plain. Bad Baby Records MAN GREEN rights reser Z <sup>g</sup>r<sub>ee</sub>nmanmusic.com

> gone. And that was a million years ago, In a time that no man knows; Yet here to-night in the mellow light, We sit at Delmon ur eyes are deep as the Devon springs, Your hair is as dark as jet, Your years are few, your life is new, Your soul untried, a yet -- Our trail is on the Kimmeridge clay, And the scarp of the Purbeck flags, We have left our bones in the Bagshot stones, And deep in the Coraline crags; Our love is old, our lives are old, And death shall come amain; Should it come to-day, what man may say We shall not live again? God wrought our souls from the Tremadoc beds And furnished them wings to fly; He sowed our spawn in the world's dim dawn, And I know that it shall not die; Though cities have sprung above the graves Where the crook-boned men made war, And the ox-wain creaks o'er the buried caves, Where the mummied mammoths are. Then as we linger at luncheon here, O'er many a dainty dish, Let us drink anew to the time When You Were a Tadpole and I Was a Fish.

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