

·THE REDEMPTION OF BETRAYAL·

# The ArtiSt.

When lies are sold from the light An artist will be born in the night

In a world so heartless
I chose to be an artist
In a world loving blind
Addicted to the faultline

It's time to break past the fear It's time to see for once more clear

Worldviews What will you choose Worldviews Win or lose

Wise as serpents The innocent doves Religious dependance Born in !BLOOD!

Worldviews What will you choose Worldviews Win or lose

From ascending moments woven so clear To dark and deep thoughts riddled right here

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## Genesis

Who taught us difference And added contempt for diversity Who sautéed the fruit of severance And courted us with simplicity

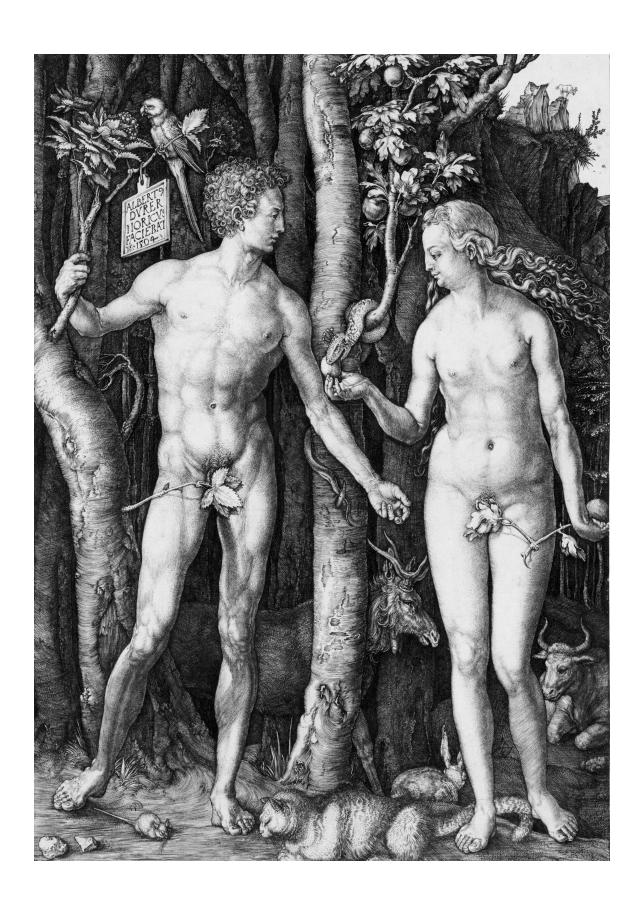
Who taught us hatred for the other Now we strike our Brother So we defile our Mother

Naked and pure – Unclothed but not unsure Naked lost pure – Now clothed where is the cure

The forbidden experience And the pretense of deliverance Selling freedom to the slaves Who earn comfort in their cage Who find comfort in the rage

For the forbidden taste of my sweet exile I sow to the wind where hidden pretends To reap the whirlwind living in denial I consume the trials as I darken to descend

Naked and pure – Unclothed but not unsure Naked lost pure – Now clothed without a cure



### Exiled-In-Eden

I extinguished my eternal ring of fire For the indelible taste of my fugitive desire Now I'm left to linger through this shadow I was Exiled in Eden the day I swallowed

As I steal the time I'm too broke to borrow I compose the cycle of maybe tomorrow I've forsaken the strength to balance in flight So the grace I promise will betray the light

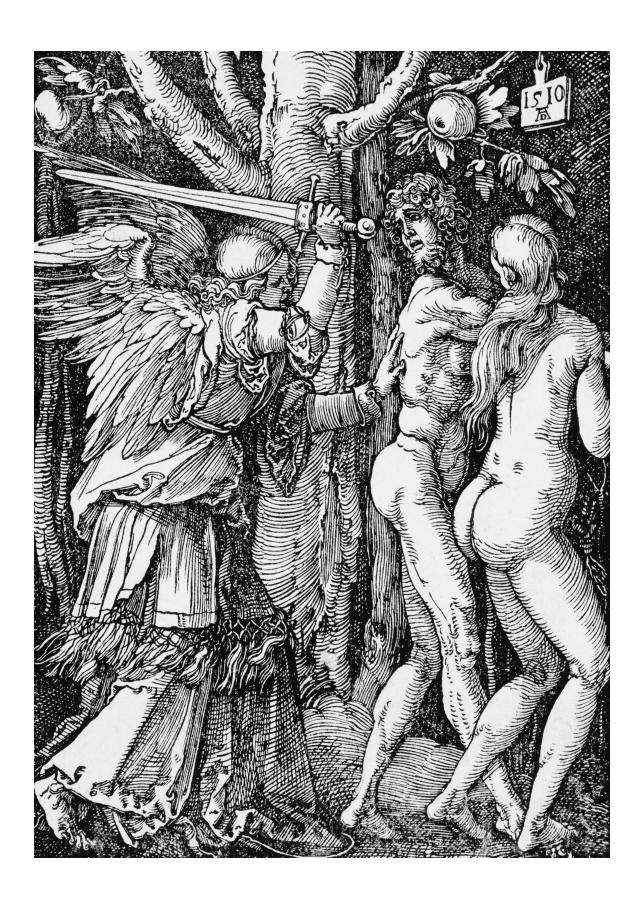
To feast as Serpents again and again To enkindle eternal the stratagem of end She loves me, She loves me not She loved me, Or so I thought

If all is fair in love and war Then all is dead the dove we whore The impending hours were bought with treason So heartless crimes sell thoughtless reason

With broken wings and bloodshot eyes I've reached past plains in full disguise I'm lost in the truth of my own lies You're lost in the me I forgot to hide

As I drown in a bottle bobbing for wishes I'm anchored to the cycle I now call vicious It's ourselves in others we try to kill As the other in ourselves we deny is real

Will we feast as Serpents until the end Or enkindle eternal a stratagem of begin She loves no one, She never has Not even herself, Multiply the past



# Like Cain I'm Able

With a love so inconsistent Born of silence both nonexistent I see pearls drowning for desire I see flames but there is no fire So I cast off my chains In defiance to the liar

I've seen less like Abel More bred of Cain I see less who are able In the mind of the slain

Why deepen the divisions Provoke ourselves to war Double-barreled questions Single out the poor

Time we rewound the voices Calling us to hate Fast-forward to some choices Free of temporaries fate

I tried to trap myself internally But externally I couldn't hide it So I'm rewinding past the voices Fast-forwarding through the NOIZ

How could I believe What I was taught to never see Bewildered by this midnight I'm drifting on my own Like knocking for an answer There is no one left at home

I know where I've been Where are we going Indulge in the fruit Eden's twice forbidden

# be[lie]ve

I'm lost in your silence Like a voice that carries violence Trying to find my way through blindness And the weakness born of kindness

There's a point of no return Where ignorance is no excuse

With minds closed And a muted microphone I'll take the stage I'll break the maze

The revolution has come
It's time to open our minds
And speak from the heart
To deliver the numb
From the shackles of time
Through the wisdom of rhyme
Give flight to a season
Give flames to the phoenix

Organized chaos From the valley they slay us This is how they play us

Mental picture being drawn
Of a time without end
When Adam was born
And Eve played the pawn
Until the fruit was conceived
And multiplied to deceive

Diverse worlds perceived Lying in the 3rd dimension When all you want is to believe Words flow like water without mention

Mental deceptions serve as third eye contraceptives Aimlessly eye wonder And still hit the mark

Can you finish What you started

Will you live to see this through Or will time disprove you

With eyes like broken mirrors Reflecting moments that have past I'm holding on to what is clear Perfection will never last

At some point ignorance will no longer be an excuse Then will we bury ourselves in the effect of our ruse Time will tell what the few have been saying Buried by the lies the many have been playing

The pain that I have felt
The burdens I have carried
The words that I have longed for
The promises I betrayed for

I couldn't carry you into the night
Falling through the silence
Like stairs with invisible steps
I see the truth but I still can't find the light

Shackled minds restrained by perspectives Perspectives born by exalted intersections Intersections stemming from divisive schemes Schemes bought for division by cowardly teams

Thoughts and feelings are being financed Like hearts and minds won through violence Babylon continues to Babel-On The death of definition sings another song

The truth got lost between sheets of sound So we linger with the music of prick and pound With tossing emotions carried about by many waters We savor the salty ocean instead of rising in our power

The sweet serenade softens all that's wrong To sedate the weak buried beneath the strong It's time to excavate the heavens And emancipate the earth

It's open season they're hunting doves There's no living reason they kill love The serpent speaks – consume the cup The heart now beats – for the downward up We gotta finish what the past – Has started Before the futures lost – And we're forgotten

Half broken by the fears of love And the midnight kiss cursed from above The external tragedy Is the undiscovered internal reality

Sometimes I think society is just a cruel invention Wondering fruitless 'til a time of intervention Is revelation the only consistency For a genesis to relieve this misery

I think we know but we don't show it When we be[lie]ve and cannot know it The lie embedded into a word hope Acts as a remedy to help us cope

How simple are the games we play That carry us from the night into the day All the while avoiding the truth The fruit of decay is our only proof

I pierced you through the veil Like a moment of love in the midst of hell You keep telling me this will pass But your words steady fall like broken glass

If we don't know ourselves How can we know anyone else Until then knowing is just an illusion Until then knowing stems from confusion

# wHoly Truths

The pretentious reflection
Of a soulless deception
Find the truth in our lost and found
Leave the rest to settle without sound

Half truths are whole lies Hidden behind an honest disguise Can you read between the lines You gotta shed the naked lies

Wide asleep I'm barely living The ethos of a nation Barely awake I'm never giving The echos of desperation

How do you heal — When you don't feel sick Invisibly we've killed — Without lifting a stick

Sticks and stones
Amount to broken bones
Words like knives
Tuck the truth behind lies

The paradigm is shifting To settle all the sifting The paradigm is shifting Gonna settle all the sifting

I've looked at the picture of my own decay And registered the Richter at the point where I lay You've sown the pain of your own demise I'm watching you fall will I see you rise

With literal eyes can you pierce the disguise
With spiritual eyes can we shed the naked lies
Find the truth — It's buried in the past
Then rid yourself of the promises
They were born to never last



# Innocent Eyes

I've seen her before But she wasn't looking Where she was going I'm looking at her now There's a score She will be settling

Blinded by innocent eyes
I got lost between the lines
I was found where lovers lie
Guided by lustful eyes
I was found outside the lines
I got lost where lovers die
Blinded by wounding eyes

Our love died like we never had it I reached out but I couldn't grab it Like disappearing it was all an act Like polar opposites we didn't attract

'Cause it's add then subtract Multiplied so we divide This is how we conquered By confusion we live no longer

In lost I'm found I call it amazing Without your grace The unsavory taste

There's one more thing Gotta shut it down That one last thing From the lost and found

Our love died like we never had it I reached out but I couldn't grab it Like disappearing we were all an act Like polar opposites we could never attach

# Soapbox Saviors

Saviors of the soapbox Crashing through the glass Saviors for the thoughtless Dividing from the past

Hate difference The message sends Difference hates The message ends

Kill the other
Defile your mother
Destroy your brother
Feed the other

Versus always versing Trouble becomes troubling Hatred continues hating Ending defines beginning

Minds numbing The microphone Numbing minds Leave us alone

Trapped in fear Reflecting pieces Hate the mirror Destroy the species

# The Higher Mission

Reality for all the world to see Confusion takes the high-ground Wrapped with scarlet harlotry

Pound—Pound—Pound
The world into submission
This is the call
The higher mission

Take the crown from your Christ's head Then lay your king in a coffin bed Can you accomplish the betrayers task Then look behind the veil of your own mask

Pound—Pound—Pound
The world into submission
That is the call
The higher mission

To forgive and let go
The weight of freedom as light as air
To worry and never grow
The weight of anguish like deaths cold stare

Reality for all the world to see The harlot rides the beast Reality for all those in need Soon the harlot will be our feast

### The Switchblade Romance

It's unfounded love built upon conditions Which author vibrations composed for division All those misguided restrictions And the curses we bore from internal friction

You can hear the light
But can you see the sound
Another love lost to the night
Another heart lost without found

In a world without perfection
Will you kill for your misconceptions
All the slain we've left through rejection
Are the living in our wake of self-deception

Shipwrecked between minds So thoughtfully thoughtless I've been tossed to the seas So hopefully hopeless

If you can only love perfection Hatred has begun without seizing end The connections you seek you'll never resolve The brokenness of disdain will externally evolve

Lonesome is all I feel
Because I embraced a love
That wasn't real
As she approached me for the kill
I was blinded by the lies of sweet surreal

Her love is evil — A passion born of the devil I no longer live — Because of you I've only lived

As she approached me for the kill I got lost in the fantasy Now I need to heal — How do I feel

Suicide — She's suicide Live or die — Don't fear her lie Suicide — She's suicide The sweet surreal — Her switchblade skill

I found the lost free in denial As I paid the cost for my own trials With conditioned love life's on restriction 'Cause restricted love savors too much friction

I have seen the distance between decide And I've witnessed resistance as worlds collide Now I'm left to leave you where is why Seeding first responders for the loss of try

Conditioned love survives by fear
Loves only restriction is unconditionally clear
If you can see this close the distance
If you can be this sever resistance
Lose the conditions to regain the chance
Lose those restrictions — Our Switchblade Romance

#### The Newbirth

### Act I

The depth of violence between our eyes As deep as the darkness between the lines

I hold the chains to my own mind
The keys you seek you'll never find
A movement is born rewind to abortion
A movement dies fast-forward the distortion

As deep as the darkness between the lines The depth of violence between God's eyes The depth of violence between our eyes As deep as the darkness between the lines

The truth will drown you deepest At the bottom of your Abyss You gotta see yourself to free yourself Then bury the self to uncover true wealth

But the newborns are all still Cause the newbirth was the kill Feeling has lost its touch Now that dogma becomes the crutch

So the answers are freed through striving Like deepness found through diving Where living is freed through dying Like thunders roar after lightning

Never seeing as one So we justify blaming the other Defiled by the name For which we strike our neighbor

I'm so alive — It's time to lie
I've been healed — It's time to kill
Born-again — I'm born to sin
Born-again — In love with end

It was hatred that founded the institution So earth would be our place of division The law has come — It's time to heal The law is done — No longer feel

The answers are freed through striving Like deepness found through diving But living is freed through dying Like thunder after lightning

#### Act II

I found four seasons But can't find the change I've lost more reasons Than life can arrange

With a fistful of leaves In slow motion like the breeze Life's roller coaster has me Bending at the knees

Like the dusty road I'm travelin' Are these words or am I ramblin' I don't know Yeah — I don't know

I've had my share of up and down
As I wandered far from mountain to town
But I don't know
Yeah — I don't know

## Act III

How can two angels Love destroying each other Never looking in the mirror Always blaming the other

Insane how two demons Can be transparently clear Running from the mirror And surviving by fear

I wanted to hold the truth But I'm in the spider web I wanted to shed the lies But I'm drowning with the dead

I hear it's the internal Which sows our infernal The desires born of lust Mastered to manipulate trust

But must we sink to learn to swim An unforgiven face my pseudonym Paramour lies for the Tower Babel Then shackles our fragile With a fistful of shrapnel

### **Traditions**

I watched myself crucify love In silence as I strangled the dove When love gets lost do lovers die When love is shot can love heal why

I am loyal
Without question
And so disloyal
Without hesitation
I betray you with intrigue
And myself with fatigue

Traditions are good If they guide you But lethally dosed If they blind you

Take an eye for an eye Take a tooth for tooth Soon the whole world Absent a truth Then the whole world Ugly as you

I've lost faith in all I can Because a thoughtless faith Only liars demand Evolon you have No Love No Love embracing Evolon

I've seen the city from the hill And watched as the righteous gathered to kill I've witnessed the future from the past And given aid to a midnight that couldn't last

Authored by tragedy born out of fear There is a clarity so insincere The iron spade adorns the spear The crystal ball of the insecure

Decipher minds some bless the answers Like a lyrical cure for your spiritual cancers I see the world and wonder how far An eye for an eye will build empires by fire Traditions are good If they guide you But lethally dosed If they blind you

A living contradiction
Like good and evil without distinction
A walking offense
You can't apprehend

When love cannot be heard Will silence become an art No matter how near discover how far To cure yourself of the subliminally absurd

You held the disguise — And hid by the veil
Then I saw your lies — From my own cell
I've seen the lies — Behind fears eyes
And questioned night — Before a faceless disguise

I hide my black rose Caught in the crossfire Of poetry and pros Our love has forsaken desire As we cast red roses to the fire

All good things seem to face their end Life sees change but always stays the same Life is a game so the rules I'll offend

Beckon the hate we love so dearly Strangle the love we hate so clearly

Lovers quarrel into the night Tears are falling out of sight The tears keep falling out of sight Brothers quarrel with guns tonight

The wages of sin were raised for profit
When judgment was born — The devils prophet
Built on conditions to enslave by fear
Driven to end by the internal tears

I know the pieces fit Because I've seen the razor slit It cuts right through divided one All in the name of the inspired Son Passions are to be respected Not malnourished or rejected I cut right through united one All in the name of the divided Son

The pages of sin were inspired by profit So dogma was born — The devils prophet

The eloquence of your taste Like the cold embrace Of a Bittersweet disgrace

Catchphrases veil to disguise As you hide the truth behind your lies You could love, give, and heal But instead you lie, steal, and kill

There is an eloquence to your taste Like the lukewarm embrace The worlds bittersweet disgrace

Divided as the past Always free But never at last Smoke and mirrors Cover to reflect your fears

How long must this ignorance Permit these liars innocence

I saw my illusion But now you must choose I see the confusion Multiplied for us to lose

Babylon The mystery ends Babel-On The confusion pretends

Babel-On 'Cause you can't stop Babylon 'Till your last drop

Babel-On The living dead

Babylon Consume by dread

# The Looking Glass

The truth can be found But it's muffled by sounds Which prick and then pound Upon the illest of grounds

Look past the lies And step outside Architects of why rEvolutionaries of try

All that I see — Not all that I believe All that I perceive — Not all that I believe With many words — Comes much deception With fewer words — More honest reflection

I've seen the truth Held by disguise And looked past the lies That society denies

In the silence of mornings night
Veils are pierced by the light
The state of denial
No inches — No mile
In the silence of a fleeing night
Veils will be torn by mornings light

# The Ministry

Tolerance and diversity
Terrorize the ministry
A curse while you are broken
Is a blessing for the sultan

For the sake of the used Bled dry and abused The ministry has spoken To leave you only hoping

People are strange
Without any danger
Because they estrange
They hide behind anger
To manifest fear
Toward all that is near
And make it quite clear
Every difference is queer

Tolerance and diversity Harmonize our humanity A curse while you're broken Is a blessing to cut you open

For the sake of the used Fed right and amused The day action meets hope The ministry will never cope

They seek our hearts and minds They take them one at a time

Hearts and minds
Without rhythm or rhyme
One at a time
They seek our hearts and minds

The day I discovered all the plugs The day I discovered all the holes

Because tolerance and diversity Terrorize the ministry This one's for the used No longer bled dry and abused

### **Heartbeats Without Motion**

Dearly departed for the flickering neon Where effect is the product of our flaws Is love this far gone That we have to reignite a cause How can love reside with strong When our effect drowns with bitter pause

Do we always just pretend Like dueling devils lusting the end Or do the years inspire proof Our time expired without the truth

Stuck in this unsavory season Where the only edible became treason Both pierced by multiplied reasons Which bloom like dead flowers So they can kill when soured

Lost in the confusion — Of these tears As we forge and then slay — Each others fears Unleash the fork — One with the knife Cut down two consume — Divorced from life

Since our love embraced implosion My heart beats without motion

#### Some Go Mad

Embracing resign Renders loss of design What would I find In the action of all my crimes

Is life just a dream
Or a game inside my mind
This is the season some go mad
That is the reason some are sad

When all we see is blood and war How defiled is the score It's not that life isn't worth fighting for But life isn't worth dying for

Trying to be something that you're not Will only get you lost, cornered, and caught No matter how much you try to fight Deliverance will escape you in the night

How can you lose When there is nothing left to choose How will I lose When life only offers a noose

Is life just a dream
Or a game inside my mind
This is the season some go mad
That is the reason some are sad

I traded the truth in miseries denial For the freedom found in a defenseless style Now I'm here lending to the madness Sowing death and reaping sadness

I want to know what its like to feel without the pain Or conquer repeating memories that leave me slain I'm losing the signs of what's fake and what's real I'm fading between the lines of living and the kill

If evil exists then good does to If evil can affect me then good will to Where is the truth in your style Strike the distance between denial The value of hate Defines the wealth of status Ordained by fate Is the beginning of madness

