The Ivory Gate Of Dreams-(v)-Ivory Tower

Fates Warning

I. InnocenceII. Cold Daze

The coldness of confusion

Hangs in the morning air as

Brazen bells ring reality

To announce the conqueror dawn

Removed from nights fleeting trance

Plunged headlong into cold days

Where in a circle we wander

The barren wastes of our pastsIII. Daylight Dreamers

Daylight dreamers awaken on

Deserts of desperation

Lonely lives learn to live on

Islands of isolation

Surrounded by violent oceans

Of hate and hopeless sorrows

Daylight dreamers envision

Tranquil seas in save tomorrows

Dreaming through the darkened day

Along tempest torn strands

Desperately grasping the grains

Of hope that flit through our hands

As they fall we tighten our hold

While the waves claim the final few

Taken without ceremony

They drift out of view

Washed away with the tides of time

Slipped through our fingers as dreams doIV. Quietus

From sleeping visions

Daily were torn

In waking hours

Hopes are forlorn

Is all we do and all we dream

Doomed to drown in a hopeless stream?

Wishing life were made of lasting visions

In eternal sleep

And if that rest were filled with sorrow

Still we'd sleep

In the madness of a silent eternity

We'd find solace in

False visions that protect us From reality

Enter ivory gates through midnite skies

Daylight dreamers in private parades

Perform before perpetual dawn

As dusk engulfs the gate of horn.

Ivory towers appear beyond the gate

Invisible fortressess of escape

Traversed by ramparts made of hopes and fears

Impervious to realityV. Ivory Tower

Behind sullen doors

Untouched within

Safe from summer storms

And winter winds

Relentless tempests

Can weaken walls

Towers falter when

Reality calls

Untouchable by all without

Lost in the silken web youth may weave

Tangled threads seem a stronghold

But illusions can deceive

A cold daze plagues the air

Driven by aging winds

The walls give way to the rush

And let reality in VI. Whispers on the wind

Misty morning on a windswept plain

Embers of a fortress all that remain

The seeds of life that burned within

Have flown like whispers on the wind

From the sleepers world

I look towards darkening skys

Through the violet haze of summer storms

The sun leaves tired eyesVII.Acquiescence

Betrayed by innocence

Deceived by delusions

Plagiarized promises

Pale into empty hopes

Ivory towers bow down

In reference to daylight

As dreamers awaken

In sleepers somber shade

Ocean waves shift leaving

Only memories

Final traces of hope

Are swallowed in the deep
Despair sends a certain calm
A vague sense of relief
Released from all our longings
Silently we'll sleep
Hope leads to quiet desperation
When reality obscures the dream
Makes the mind a grave of memories
That wander like the lonely breeze
Whose whispers echo through ruins rust
Of towers torn and dreams turned to dustVIII. Retrospect

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