

Where Are You?

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Your compassion was a map
That guided me
From one trail of inspiration
To another
Your smile, as bright as a torch
Helped me to find my way

How was I to know
When you spread your arms
Far and wide
That the invitation was a trap
Which would wound my pride

I am lost
Wandering through a wilderness of sorrow
And confusion
Convinced I have nothing to cling to
But the remnants of romantic illusion
I can't help but wonder
While these words
Pour from my heart like thunder
Where are you?

Questions surge through me
Your heart has led you into a jungle of strangers
How can you disregard the dangers
Of believing they are the best
You've ever known
You claim that among them, love has come and it has grown

I am stranded
And twisted inside myself
Imagining the way your smile
Has become a torch for someone else
I fear
That as the world grows large
Between us
I am condemned to wonder
How these words continue
To pour from my heart like thunder

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