The Story of the Voiceless

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Dedication

I dedicate this anthology to me who has courage to speak the truth and those who are voiceless

that your voices matter and deserve to be heard.

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Beautiful Souls

I looked at the mirror and stared at myself
Crying my heart out, this tears flooded
I have been too hard on myself, God
I was dumb to treat myself like this.

There is nothing wrong with my body
This is who I really am and that is enough
I give too much pain for this precious creature
Time to let go, stand up and move forward

Never have I loved myself like crazy
Perhaps living in reality is not where I am meant to be
Fantasy is where I belong but come on, I am still stuck
I am my own enemy so let me just love me

Lost

In the middle of nowhere,
I stood still trying to escape
Help me please, show me a way
Life seems so dull yet it is deniable
I don't want to stay so let me run
Running far away and feeling sick
I am sick of feeling this. It hurts!!

Love Me

Who wants to love me, anyway?
I can't even feel it anymore
Love is painful yet no way
Give me the real one

No one loves me but me

I love you but I loved me first
I know how to treat myself
Take care of myself better every day

Solitude

When I was too free, the solitude was real
Isolation did not heal
Feeling stuck and giving in
Falling down but getting up 10

I had time to contemplate
Thinking of things I should not have done
Reminding myself to take a small step
To remind myself of who I am
God is good and He conquers my fear

Hiatus

I am breaking
Pieces of me are torn apart
This silence is enough
Where is my voice?

All these noises inside hurt
I might need healing
Time out, I got out
I can't even figure out what it is about

Fear

Fear is my enemy
The more I feel scared, the stronger it will be
Bravery is my weapon
The battle is coming, it is just you and me
I can conquer this, I know I am afraid
Bet this will not be easy
Sweat and tears flood into blood

Hope

I am darkness turning into light
I am a war turning into a fight
The victory will come to my side
I see it far away from my sight

The rain is falling
The sun is shining again
All the flowers bloom
All the stars smile again

My tears will not fall
My courage is all in all
Getting up from the ground
Now I chase after the call

Not looking back but ahead
I see the future waiting for me
I am not suffering anymore
I want to win and yes I do

Serenity

I wanna see a river,
Sitting at the edge,
Throwing stones

The birds are chirping
and the leaves are moving
The sun is smiling
I love this peace

Living in a tiny house,
with the fireplace
Talking to the moon,
The stars are shining

Calm trees, chill weather

I breathe heavenly air
Rolling down the hill
at dusk, I am coming home

Ego

I have the sense
and so do you

It killed me slowly
Thought I could get along with it.

I was full of myself
I did not need anyone
I could not survive
Always suffered
and struggled

I lived it up for ages

Did not realize that I was tortured

It did not perish until I was reminded

that I had lived such an unhealthy life

Chaos

Confusion and dilemma
I felt this way
Messed up and broken
I felt this way

I was fighting with life
My enemies were everywhere
The blood, sweat and tears
poured down in the rain

I was hard on myself
All I thought was hatred and anger
Till I saw the sky and realized
That hope was there waiting for me

Sunshine

From sunset to sunrise
From nightmares to sweet dreams
From darkness to brightness
I found the real happiness

I couldn't help these aches
The cruelty I made and felt
I did not believe in love
I killed myself slowly and badly

Yet the sun shone brightly
I looked up to the sky
"It's beautiful!"
I was not alone

I am fine and I will shine
Just believe that the best thing is yet to come
I will not cry and ask why
Just believe that I will always be the sunshine

Rain

Keep falling, rain
I have been waiting
Keep blowing, wind
I have been waiting
I admire the sound
I feel the shivers
Just do not stop

Rainbow

The rainbow appears
I was running and smiling
I wish I could be one of the colors
I wanted to touch it

It starts to fade away
Halt! halt! halt!
Don't break my heart!

Promise you'll come back

Bittersweet

Sweet as honey
Bitter as coffee
Life happened again
Ride, ride and ride again

Will I survive?
I guess so
I will be strong
God got me

I have tasted the sweetness of life
and so has the bitterness
It is not always nice
but it is worth it

Cold Bites

I wish I could turn back the time
Living things differently
I would not have had regrets
If I had one more chance to reverse

Tomorrow is a scary thing
As thunder cries, I am frozen
Asking for help and feeling frightened
I do not want to be alone

I hate to see rain dropping on the ground
The bruises I have in my heart
The pain I feel every cold night
The future seems hard for me to go through

Temptation

Desire I couldn't control
yet I abode by its temptation
Feeling content to the fullest
Ending up in my own self-harm

I wanted to say no but I said yes
Easy to say but hard to forget
Haunting me every single day
Horrified life I went through on my own

Did it feel great? Yes, it did indeed
The lost part of my soul I wanted to find
On my way to fight for it
The time went by and I still battled with it

Mind

The biggest sin is my mind
Always given choices
I cannot choose sometimes
Both are mine

The devil seems appealing
The angel seems undeniable
I am a human with imperfection
I quit and do it again

My Fantasy

I had my world
It was a good life
My paradise full of joy
I was the happiest man

It did not last long
Unfortunately, I lived a different one
Suffering and torturing I was
I wish It was not real

Got tired of life
Got sick of pretending
I did not want to die
neither did I live

Butterfly

Rarely do I see you around
But when I do, days seem a bit better
You fly as you like and perch wherever you like
Your colors are appealing

You are hard to catch because you are special
You have no burdens nor things to think of
You just attract people with your beauty
Oh butterfly!! Why were I not you?

Changes

I was a free butterfly
I loved my freedom
It brought me to different places
Getting along with the angels and devils

I changed and people knew that
I got sick of the old things
New things could be better
Yet they did not last

I got lost and found
It happened over and over again
I found my true colors but was skeptical
I kept trying to seek and another change was coming again

Obsession

I hated what is on my mind
It was there and would always be
I resented to think this way
I was not free! Please give me a break
It might be my bad somehow
I should have been aware
I should have been honest
so everything changed again

Hurt

I was hurt
Hurt was a part of me
Pain was my home
Can anyone heal me?

I harmed me
Nobody could cure me but who would?
When tears was like water
I drank it way too much

Shall this pass?
I hope so
I still believe in love
It is on the way

Truth

Truth could be hurt sometimes
I hid and wish nobody would know
Lies could be a bit better this time
but haunted me so many times

I said "I am okay"
Indeed I did not feel that way
At the end of the day, I still felt blue
without you

Listen

Are you listening?
I want to tell you a story
A story of fear, sadness, bliss and hope
I will not know if you like it
But it is what it is

I have been through a lot
Ups and downs every day
Need a friend when I am alone
If there is no one then I will write

The story does not end
It goes on and on
You will see more and more
Set you feeling and emotion

Listen to me, that is all I need
Time is precious, I cannot turn it back
Another story, another lesson
I am still here, please you stay

Where is the love?

I had been thinking of what was happening in the world
Watching people dying, suffering and crying
At the same time, I also watched people laughing, smiling and partying
The world was full of differences
If only I had a superpower, I would like to have a better place for all
We have been living for years and many things occurred every single day
Hard times and good times
Victory and death
Luxury and poverty
Intelligence and stupidity
We all will go to the same place, lastly
I wanted to see love
I wish I could give it
It might change their lives
Mine and yours
Just a little bit
not much
We all deserve it

The Sinner

I always contemplate about what I did
The past was really dark
It will always haunt me ever after
Where do I belong then?
Nobody?
Maybe there is somebody
I believe in hope
I am the sinner who lets people down
I am the sinner who brings people down
I am the sinner who once lost his mind
I am the sinner who brings trouble
My silence is dangerous
But I forgive and so do you
That is the only thing I hope to deserve

Show me the way

At my darkest, I almost gave up
I had nobody to lean on
I did not believe in myself nor the Almighty
I kept questioning about life
Everything sucked

Can I survive? I asked
I woke up on another day
Breathing the oxygen
Thankfully, God is so good all the time
He gave me another chance and showed me the way
I used to doubt

The Writer

I love words as much as I love to play with them
Every word matters and is powerful
I can be an open book and honestly stand up for the unheard
It is just how I love to talk about life
People will not understand and it is not a big deal
Needless to say, I dare to speak up
Every sentence I write is thoughtful
My joy towards words are undeniable
I just have this intimacy and my heart will not lie

The Wildest Dream

Too scared to dream
Dreaming of telling my stories
Written by my own hand
Read by those beautiful souls

Persistence is what drives me
Consistency is what navigates me
Creating my own dictionary
It is a real story, the story of reality

I dare to dream higher
I will make it wilder
Just to be better, the writer
Not later nor never

Prayer

Past seemed bittersweet
Present is going with the flow
Future seems uncertain
Life is unpredictable

I cross my fingers
Giving thanks and asking for blessing
For whatever I do, it is for the sake of love
That is how I care about you and me

When the world could be so cruel
that many of us want to give up
I am telling you that your existence matters
You were born for something

It will not be easy!
Absolutely but you have what it takes
and you will be proud of it
Keep trying and striving

I aspire to tell the truth through my verses
I tell you stories of a human being
with his deep thought, experiences and secrets
You might not get it but you are needed

It is all about persistence
I will tell you more and more
Ups and downs are obstacles
Yet I will still tell you more about this mystery of mine

My prayer goes to you
and hope yours does too
We all have voices

Let them hear, my brothers and sisters

Universe

Green trees, blue sky
Sunshine and birds fly
Big ocean, fishes swim
Horses run and breezy wind
Fresh fruits in the woods
Venturing with the butterflies
Solemn night and burning fire
I feel warm and still dreaming on

Colors

We're all different as we were born
Nothing looked the same
Even Adam and Eve were distinct
How beautiful colors are

I am yellow
You are white
They are black
He is brown

This diversity of colors represents our unity
We are the generation of love, peace and victory
It is good to be different
It is absolutely beautiful

To the Pretty Women

Pretty women, pretty hearts
Your presence is undeniable
You are beyond beautiful
You are beyond powerful
Without you, the world is nothing
You bring warmth, love and joy
You are the symbol of home
You deserve to be appreciated and celebrated
You are not an option but a definition
Thanks to you, pretty eyes

Garden of Eden

I dream of living in a garden of Eden
Green trees, fresh air, and clean water
Isn't it wonderful to relish God's creation?
No pollution, no starvation and corruption
Humans and animals get along
I will be at peace and bliss
Take care each other like a family
Protect it like precious gold

Book of Life

You will know me through these words
The truth and facts you have not heard
It is not my life solely
Yet life of all creatures
You do not have to understand, literally
Just read over and over again
till....
You will eventually see what life is

Joyful Noise

We stand up
Clapping hard
Shouting
Screaming
His name out loud
The victory is coming
No more suffering
Justice before Him
Keep calling His name
The time is perfect
All gather and smile

Bright Stars

I saw these children smiling in their eyes
Laughing in their lost memories
They were singing joyfully
Dancing pretty
Living with other kids is daily
Little baby, you are all what I want to see
I learn about how to be strong
cause you truly are
You are independent and precious
You must face this tough life so early
that you are to scared to even dream big
Your dreams are valid, pretty souls
Dare to be somebody in the future
You have what it takes
Do not quit
Keep going
till you make it

A Cup of Joe

When you taste it, some people might not like it
You'll add sugar or creamer to sweeten it
Bitter at first, sweet at last
But can we just talk about the bitterness?
The bittersweet things I guess
Hardship, depression, pessimism and corruption
We all cannot help it and abide in it
Can we not see the good?
Hope, gratitude, dreams and love
Let us embrace and embody it
Enjoy the the sip
It will turn out to be sweet afterwards

Clouds

On cloud nine
I see blue and white
I want to touch it
It feels like freedom
It is moving gently
High in the sky, I am looking up

Hometown

Home sweet home
Breezy air and green trees
Beautiful hills and great mountains
Fresh water from the stream
Sweet oranges everywhere
Healthy greens and friendly people
How can I not admire you!
From a big city to a small town,
I will always remember
Once I go, it is hard to come back
I promise I will come again
No one will destroy you
You'll always be breathtaking

Just Smile

Just smile
It makes someone's day
It brings peace so smile a bit please
With so many things we deal with in life
When we smile, we bring back the spirit
and life seems a bit better
Life is unexpected
Ready or not, we must go for it
Do it with a smile and walk your miles

At Night

At night,
I think of me
At night,
I laugh and cry
At night,
I think of the world
At night,
I worry
At night,
There is peace
All night,
I am truly me.

Are you happy?

Happiness is relativity
You may be happy with a little money
I may be happy with a little bunny
They may be happy with diversity
We can choose to be happy or maybe
Will happiness last as we expect
or will it just stay for a little while?
We always want it more and more
now what kind of happiness are we looking for?

Humble myself

Under pressure, I keep it to myself
Under torture, I still keep silent
I try to speak up but I still listen
I do not want to argue
I want to calm down
I take my own space
my own time
Trying to figure out what is right and wrong
I fix myself before I am too broken

Day and Night

I am the Sun
I give you my shine
Being with you till the sundown
It is dark
The night has come
I turn into stars
People gaze at me
Being with you till dawn

Now Let the Joy Begin

Pain is over
Let it all go away
No need to worry
You have lost yourself
Go and find it back
Start it all over again
You deserve better
Move forward and smile

When Life is not Peachy

Unpredictable and undeniable
Life is inevitable and still I try to get by
Difficult people and difficult things
I deal with them every day

It may be me not them
I let things over my control
So now I am feeling down in the dumps
Thinking of things while at a loose end

Reading self-help and it does help
but only today and not tomorrow
Reality is hard to live
I would rather just abide in my fantasy

What will I do now?
Just let go with the flow
Waiting for another plot twist
Do not know when it will end

I Have Let You Go

We hurt each other
The past was too painful to remember
Young, dumb and broke
It was my fault and I provoked

As I have moved on
The stranger showed up
Hurting me again
Now I want it to stop

I choose to let you go
I am stone cold
Will not looking back anymore
I am getting away on the road

Heaven

A place of eternity
A place of prosperity
Unconditional love
All in all, above
I dreamt of it now and then
It was a beautiful land
Is it real or my imagination?
My illusion and now it ends
I keep wondering
When?
It is waiting
A new life begin

Pigs cannot Fly

I used to dream of being a superstar
Pigs cannot fly!
I hope to be bizarre
Pigs cannot fly!
Those noises haunt me every day
Giving me no hope day by day
I want to be somebody
Feeling purely happy without jealousy
Some people will discourage me
but Me, I encourage me
A plenty of speed bumps on the way to success
but I am not giving up and keep talking less
Dream big, I say "Yes!"
Pigs cannot fly!!
I am asking "Why!"

Anger

The type of feeling I wish I had not had
But it is in me
I wish I did not have to be mad
But did it already

So much guilt I am feeling right now
Wish I could reverse the time
If I could, I would just let it go somehow
So everything can be just fine

Now whom should I blame?
After what I have done
It was a game and what a shame!!!!
it is done and I run and here it comes the Sun

Past, Present and Future

To my past,
You have taught me to be a human
with all the ups and downs
I learned to be strong and apologize

To my present,
Every day is always a new day
filled with love, passion, and joy
Sometimes sadness comes
but it is beautiful

To my future,
You bring me a new hope
to live and forgive
Living my life to the greatest

Craps of Life

People suck, things go wrong
Days are dull, I feel so alone
Seeing the same things each day
Just wanna leave and get over today
Fake smile and laughter
I hate this kind of life
So I lay down and start daydreaming
Another universe full of beauty
Sometimes fantasy is way better than reality
but I can't deny it, I am still here with my craps

Ghost

Missing out
What is this about?
Coming back
Like what the heck?

You left me haunted
You got me questioning
You caused some hatred
I will be leaving

At the Train

I wish I could keep going without stopping
It felt like a minute
Sitting at the corner and looking around
Waiting for a stranger to come

Morning and evening
I tried it twice
The sound was beautiful
I'll come back again

Getaway

Running away from the city
to find peace in the cruelty
I was somewhere out there
on a hill full of greens and, it is rare
I was waiting for the Moon and stars
to tell a story about all these scars
and then when it is done, I will be alright
Ready for the next day for another fight

Corn and Nuts

Yellow and brown
Safe and sound
I cannot choose one
or I neither get none

Every bite is a satisfaction
Cold nights and rainy days
You give me warmth
Never leave me with regret

I am nuts without you two
I hope you are too
I cannot live without you
so stay with me because I need you

Virgo

You are imperfect yet beautifully made
You care and you share, no hate
Just wondering why you can be so delicate
Even I am mesmerized by the way you swayed

You are Romeo and you met Scorpio
From zero we started and we let it flow
You're unexpected and adorable though
You have what it takes to be my cup of Joe

To be continued.....

Guess what?

It is cookie not spooky
Have some freebies and put on your hoodie
Have a blast with your bestie
Feel jolly in the horsie

Sleigh sleigh sleigh
Waiting for Santa to come and bring candies
Staying all night and hold tight
Way way way way
Better with you tonight

Under the Blanket

Heavy rain, thunderstorms
Raindrops and puddle everywhere
Lights off, cold feet
Laying down and falling asleep
I bundle up and get covered
under the blanket I hide
The warmth and peace
Can I just stay there for the rest of my life?

Anyone

Send me anyone
I feel stupid
Is there anyone
I feel lost
No one is listening
Why am I crying?
I am just a human being

I Spilled my Treasure

The gold, pearls and diamond in me
I spilled for you and no one else
I was bold but reckless, that was me
You took it all and nothing else

Anyone will take it back for me?
Anyone will fix this heart again
I did it all for you and me
but I got nothing but more pain

I could've paid back
But I was holding back
I let it all go
and killed this woe

Decision

Even the word sounds complex
but not as complex as your ex
Woken up by choices
Choose one or your own voices
I sometimes regret what I have decided
Wish I could never have to feel toxic
Isolated and broken inside
way more painful for the decision I made
Yet life should move on, make a new move
Sleep on every thought and do it mindfully

Camouflage

Disguising and hiding in the presence of a ghost
I am invisible and miserable
I am reaching out to you but you seem so far away
I want you to hold me down but I go away
It is terrible and horrible
I want you to see the reality of my presence not the fantasy
Maybe this dream is just an illusion
All I want is just perfection
But this emotion drives me up the wall

Life is an opportunity

Taking chances is all I need
You give me life and I am living it
It is like rain that will stop
and when it starts to let up,
I have to get up

I snooze, I lose
It is not coming back
Once you are given
Take it without burden

My Latte Story

This is a bittersweet story
like a cup of latte I drink on a rainy day
Thinking about life while sipping
Every drop is addicting
Every sip is giving
Until the bitterness hit so deep
Skipping the greatest moment of all time
I am sitting by the window and wiping the glass
Talking to the rain about this bitter life

At the Bakery

This story I am baking
with chocolate and vanilla
I add some cream and sugar
with love, I am smiling

The crust and crumble
will never make this love tremble
Even though I stumble yet
the memories are unforgettable

I knead the dough and roll it
Put some icing and sprinkle it
I make some shapes and the first
is heart and peace, "They burst"

Fix myself a plate and a cup of bittersweet
cookies while feeling sour and salty
Everything changes as the birds tweet
and I am still having my own party

Meet me at the bakery
It will set us free
No one will see but a cookie
that always accompanies with
a cup of coffee and our story

When you see me
Greet and have a seat
Small talk is a good start
Sweet talk is the best part

Eye to eye
We talk about life

Life that sets us apart
and here comes the tart

Slice it for you with a sharp knife
Just like love, it is never dull
It cherishes every day
If the bad comes then we slay it
and put it on a tray
Throw it far away

It is curfew
Time to close
I will see you tomorrow
with another dose of love
Just follow and you will not shallow

Sunclouds

You are lighting up high
up in the sky unreachable
As gold as a sweet pie
You are so adorable

You are the cure of my broken soul
Healing my heart from all the fouls
Unscramble the pieces of my wounds
You stay there to keep me till noons

I am talking to you from day to night
Letting you know about my frights
All ears, you better my everyday lives
Together you keep me warm and alive

Breathing, but not Living

Breathless, getting there!
I still survive in this grey air.
Lifeless, just about there!
My existence is up in the air.

Is this more than a passing illusion?
or am i just being delusional?
Same routines, that is intrusion!
Same energy, that is protrusion!

What is the feel?
Hard to describe
Dull and need to heal
Easy to say! Too piled!