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The Light of Truth



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The Cup of Life, Housatonic River bedrock



I.

Testimony of Gratefulness
to the Protectress
of the Living Word :

As Fluid as the Waters,

As Clear as Primal Light,

You Bring It Forth

From Me this Gift,

The Gift of Spirit - Sight.



Vibrant Profusion, Olympic National Park

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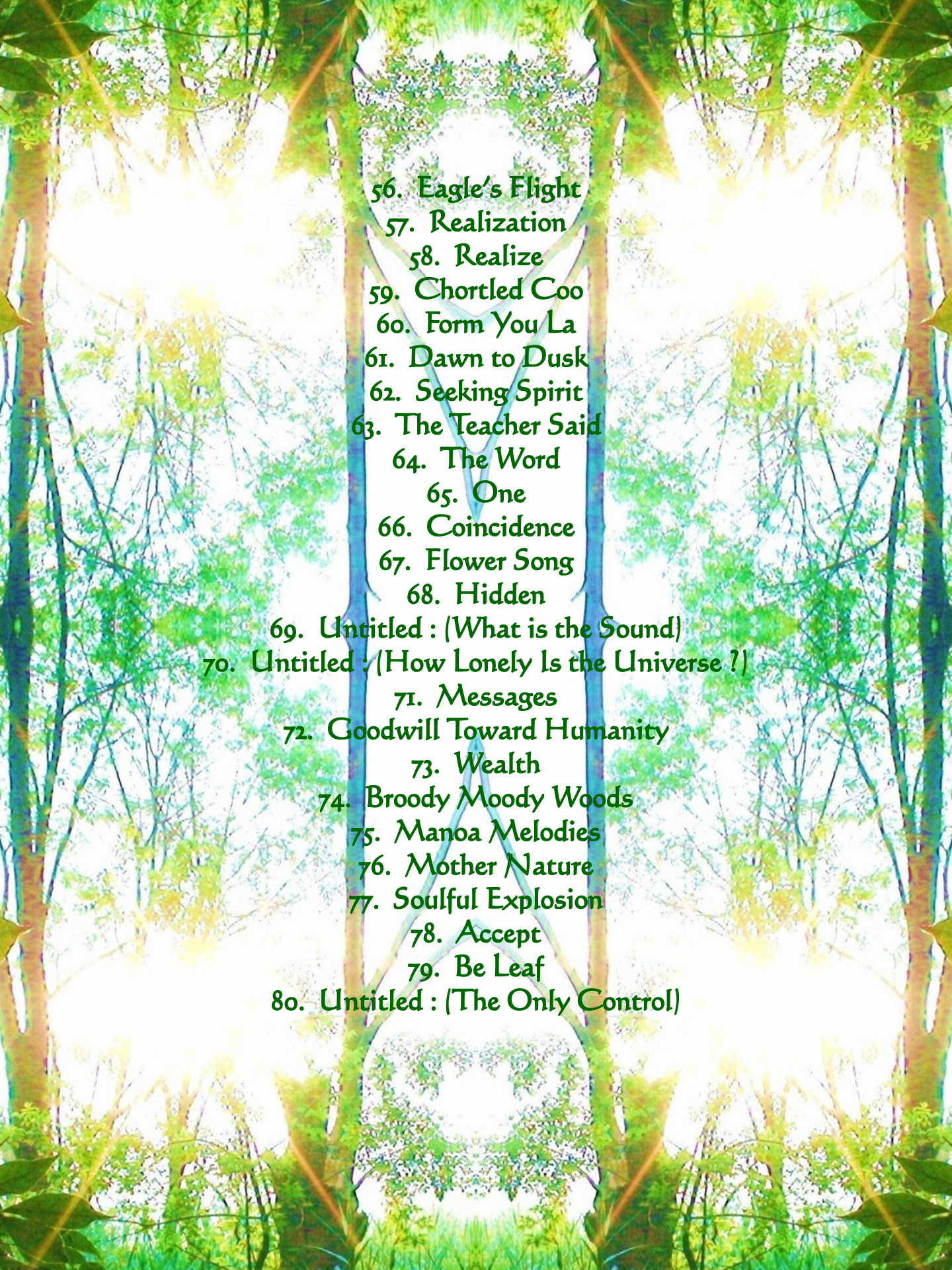
This Book is Dedicated
to Humankind's Forgotten
Companion
and Sustainer on the Journey
of our Evolution :

to the Most Ancient
and Fundamental Knowingness
to Ever Inhabit
the Infinite Matrix of Life,
the Father - Mother Beingness
of the Plant Kingdom.

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Redwoods, Mariposa Grove, Yosemite

4.

Tree of Life

Personal Body of Spirit Divine,
Partner in Our Breathing Mind,
Our Sweet Nutrition's Only Source,
And Spouse in Evolution's Course,
We Raise These Songs of Gratitude,
For You Truly Fruit
Our Faith Renewed
And Feelings We Share,
So long Obscured,
Of Heavenly Ecstasy Barely Endured,
Resound in Our Limbs
And Quake in the Earth,
As the Sweet Embrace
of Humankind and Plants
Gives Love's Rebirth.



5.

Being

I Am Part of Something
so Great

That I Am Proud
of Being Small.



Dusk on the Gulf, Pensacola, Florida

6.

Sea Song

Chords of Harmony

Resonate Endlessly;

Effortless, as the Waves,
Weightless,

Wash the Mighty Sea.

7.

Quiet

Chaos is Relative;

Tranquility,

Absolute.

8.

Bio - Computer

Time Machine :

the Core of Life

Trues

Your Open Soul.



Autumn Perspective, Ramapo Mountains

9.

Life Stalk

The Tree that

Turns Within Me

As It Grows,

Sways in the Living Breeze

Your Loving Blows.

IO.

New World

A Dream - Inspired
People . . .

Fields of Rich Resource . . .

Infinity.



Sunset, Cadillac Mountain, Acadia Nat Pk

The image is a vertical, symmetrical composition. It features a central white path that runs from the top to the bottom. On either side of the path, there are tall, thin tree trunks. The trees are rendered in a blue-tinted color, which contrasts with the natural green and brown tones of the surrounding forest. The background is a dense canopy of green leaves, with some sunlight filtering through, creating a bright, ethereal atmosphere. The overall effect is one of a serene, almost otherworldly forest scene.

II.

Meditation

The Speed of

Infinite

Stillness :

Being Everywhere

at Once.

I2.

Primal Cry

A Baby's Cry

It Told how High
Our Sympathy with Life

The Call Recalled
the Primal Moment

Time Began . . .
A Light !



Old Faithful

13.

The Eternal

Unguarded,
Unnoticed,
Unannounced,
Your Love Brings Forth
The Immeasurable
Universe
In the Love
For the Love Transcendent . . .

Lover, Thou
Art Existence
Itself.



I4.

Innocent World

The Child Is Innocent ;

And the World

Forgave Her.



Western Newt, Alsea River, Oregon

15.

The Self - Awakened

Inspiration,

Ever - Present,
Is the Soul
of the Universe

Generating
Revealers.

16.

The Lady

Art is a Virgin

Lonely

For Truth.

17.

The Reason

Beauty

is the Only Reason

Reason is Alive.



White Ibises, Winterhaven, Florida

18.

Your Touch :

So Near

Unthinkable . . .

And Yet Simply,

Love,

Perfect and True.

19.

Want to Marry a Goddess?

Give your Woman Her Freedom
And You Will Have a Goddess ...

Woman's Real Nature,
Like Man's,
is
Infinite,
Spirit... (God)

Own God???... (Unpossessable!)...

God, by definition, is Every Being.

How can one own God?

Surrender to Universality
and "own God!"

Surrender!

20.

War on War

Against War,
The Ultimate Weapon
Is Loving Kindness.



Autumn Mom, Mirror Lake, New Jersey

21.

Peace

Peace Came

When We Decided

“ Angry ”

Is Really Mad.

22.

Subjective Boundaries

Are Relative;

Love is Absolute.



Gulf Fritillary Butterfly, Pensacola Fl.

23.

Greater Works Shall Ye Do

A Personality ;

So Seemingly Fragile
and Fleeting a Vessel,

Yet Dispensing the Blessings
of the
All - Powerful Universe;

What a Treasure,
to Culture and
Protect !

24.

Selfliness

Contented Confidence

In the Authenticity
Of Our Own Reality;

The Sincerity
Of Our Own Truth . . .

Selfliness !

25.

Come, Passion

Let That Passion Come
That Makes Other Passions

Dumb :

Compassion !

26.

The Virtue of Patience

Essence Rare :

Silent
Strength

From Spirit - Centre . . .

Care !



Snail, Nipomo Dunes Preserve, Calif.

27.

The Force

Yearning...

For Better Love

Is the Life Force.

28.

A Distant Rumble

Sleeping Flocks . . .

The Lightning and Thunder
Of the Spirit - Way ;

A Distant Rumble . . .

29.

Theme

Again and

Again Again,

Love is Discovered...

Truth.



Bradley Lake trail, Grand Tetons

30.

Fruitful Virgin

Let us Make

A Creation Full of Pleasure :
Fruitful Trees,
And Teeming Lakes,
Mountainsides Streaming
With Flowering Treasure . . .

Powerful Peace !

31.

The One

I Never Was

Alone the One ;

At One with God

We Willed the Sun.

32.

A Thousand,
a Million,
a Billion,
a Trillion.

If a Thousand
is Four Inches,
a Billion
is Sixty - Seven miles :
Talking about a Trillion
Is Presumptuous ;
Yet Our Brave
Astronomers

Must

Try.

33.

Hilo Bay

Time to Renew

Soulfelt Resolutions ;

Neighbors Are at Peace.



Tropical Rainforest, Manoa Valley, Oahu

34.

Aloha Song

The Music of Hawaii

Reaches One

Like All Cultures

Together.

35.

Change

Change Proceeds
and Halts

But Always

Eventuates

Change.



Mount Shasta and Siskiyou Lake

36.

Your Loving Sleep

Your Loving Sleeps,

Then Wakes,

Makes no Mistakes :

Your Soul within Me Takes

My Soul

In All Directions ;

Even at Every Pace.

37.

Eye Oh

Eye Soared the Verdant Pali

Shoulder Golden

Like the Sun :

lo!

38.

Heart Songs

Prayers for Friends

Heartfelt Interludes :

The Whole

World

Sang.



Bridal Veil Falls, Yosemite Valley

39.

Way
(the first)

Wave Walker -

I Am Speaking
Your Peace.

40.

Way
(the second)

Warm Waiter,
Your War Never Was . . .

Release!



Sandpipers, Sunset, Newport, R.I.

41.

Way
(the third)

Let the Wave Winds
Wander through You
Whispering Starry Seas.

42.

Blue Dove

An Old Friend
Babbled Graciously

Restoring my Eager Sight :

The Life Universal
Shows Nowhere

A More Considered Subtlety

Than in
The Buff Blue Dove.



Lily Pads and Sedge, Missisquoi NWR

43.

Moon Spirit

I Whispered a Scream

across the Night

She Took Me in . . .

White !



Stream Objects, Southern California

44.

On Haiku

Words

Utterly New . . .

Naked Moments

Speaking Truth.



November Dawn, Blue Ridge Pkwy

45.

Spirit Speaks

The Word

Comes from Everywhere :

It is

Reading

This Word !

46.

Communion

Currents of
Spirit - Flux Flowing :

Ecstatic

Present

Future

Past

Knowing.

47.

Birth

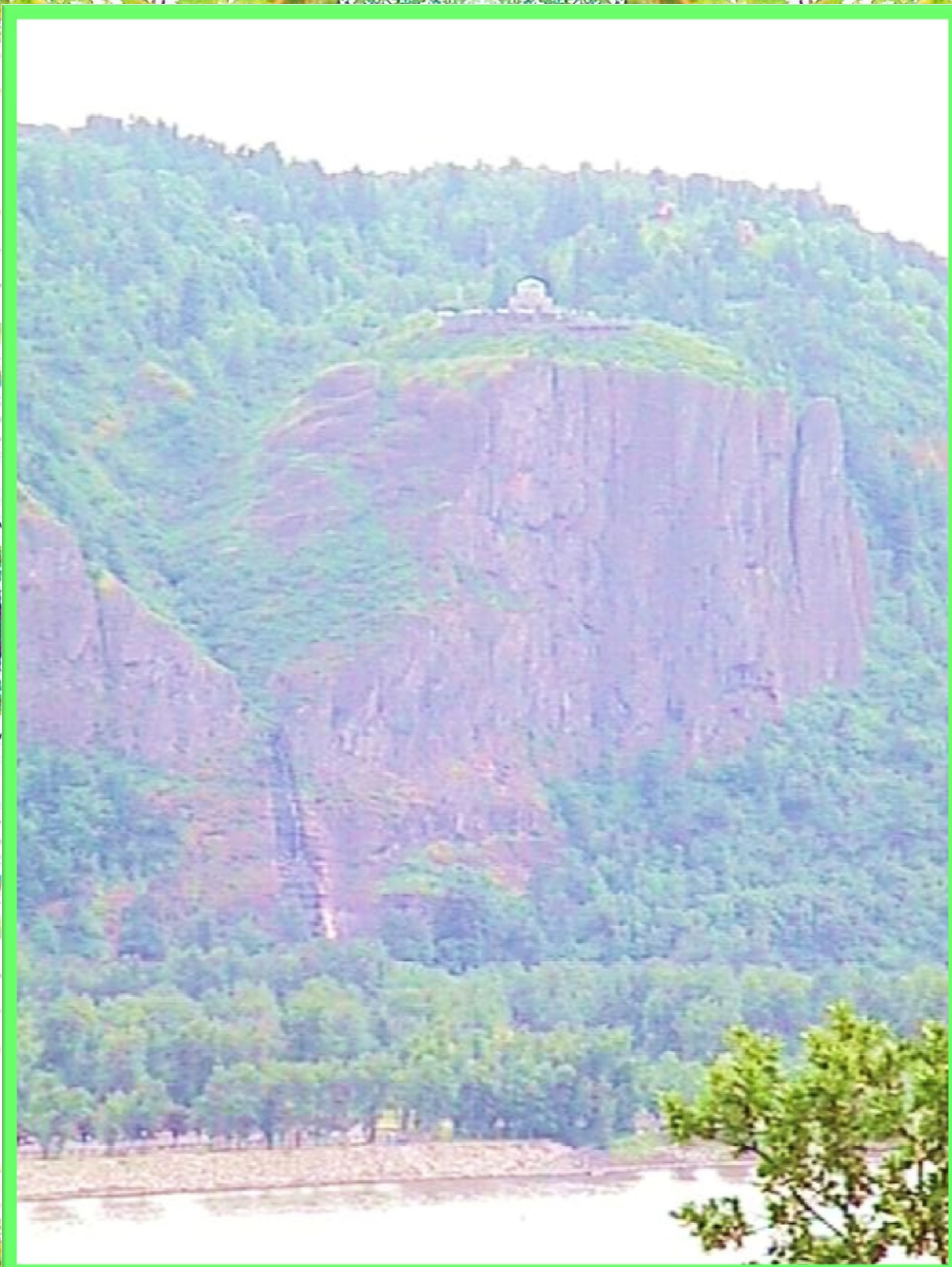
I was Making with you,
Making, Moving,
Moving into Matter, Me!

I was Thinking in You,
Thinking in you, Thinking! . . .
Thinking of Being.

I Was Waking with You,
Waking, Working,
Walking into Glory! Breathe!

Breathing the Way,
Breathing, Alive!
Breathing in Light . . .

Breathe Free!



Columbia River Gorge, from Washington State

48.

Hope

A Healthy People

Need Only to Recognize

A Rational Imperative :

They Will Respond Perfectly.



Avocets over Geese, Bombay Hook NWR

49.

The I Am That We Are

A Chorus of Voices
Inside
Every Heart . . .

Only a Fool Could Claim
To Possess their Life

Alone.



Anole Lizard in Tupelo grove, Florida

50.

Saffron Finches

Yellow, like the Blush
of Purest Gold,

Brushed with Verdant Tones
of Forest Home,

You Told Me,
Crimson - Capped Ones
Spirit Secrets
Sacred Truths
Concealed in Ways
Well - Known.

51.

Soul Control

Innocent Spirit
Shines Through
Even the Darkest
Worlds.

52.

Platinum Testimony

Willow Whipping in the Wind

Walking Wicks of Spirit - Fire

God's Ecstatic Erection :

Life !



Lake Marie, Umpqua Lighthouse St. Pk, Or.

53.

Transcendent Perspective

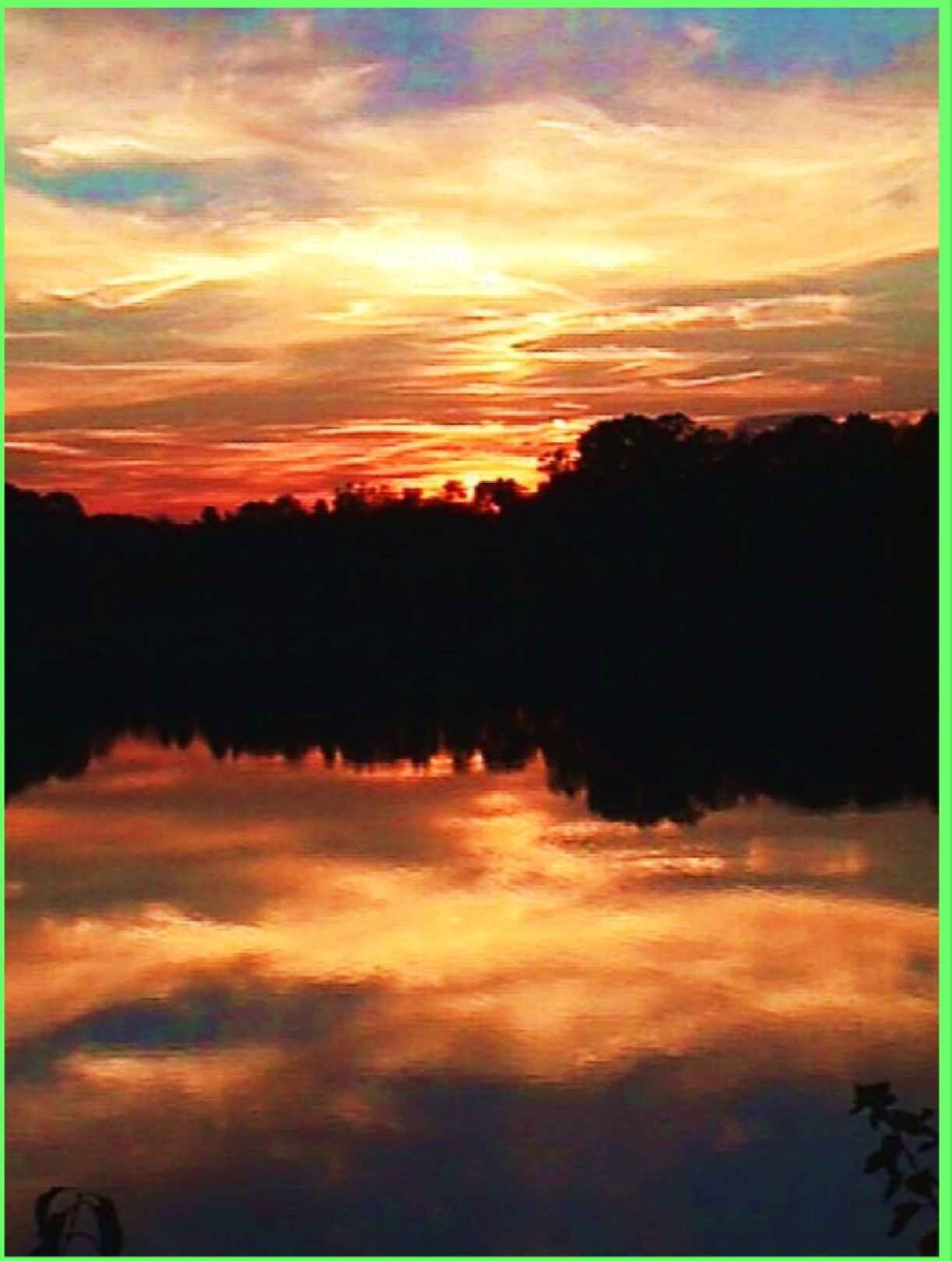
Entire Nations Joined

In Our Rhythmic, Sensuous Prayer . . .

Disastrous Delusions Dissolved

In the Touch of

Transcendent Perspective.



Sunset, Gemantown Lake, Virginia

The Stars Our Wars

We Will Create Proud Labors,
(not Wastelands of Spite),

When We Take Care
to Create Our Dreams,
(not Fears),

The Stars in Sight !

55.

Growing

New Way :

The Unfamiliar is Unknowing . . .

Everyone Has Always

Been Where We Are :

Everyone is Always . . .

Growing.



Great Falls of the Yellowstone River

56.

Eagle's Flight

Ardent Beak is Speaking

To Naked Space :

Shrieking . . .

(Peacefully).

57.

Realization :

I Am Here

to Help You

Enjoy What You Are

Haiku!



Stream with Beaver Dam, Adirondacks

58.

Realize :

You Are Here

to Help Me

Enjoy What We Are :

Love !

Be.

59.

Chortled Coo

The Dove Speaks

Ancient Peace

With Ease . . .

60.

Form You La

Beauty

Minus Duty

Equals Heartbreak.



Spring Flood, Clearwater River, Idaho

61.

Dawn to Dusk

Eager Life,

Spasmodic Change :

Dawn to Dusk,

Love Remains.



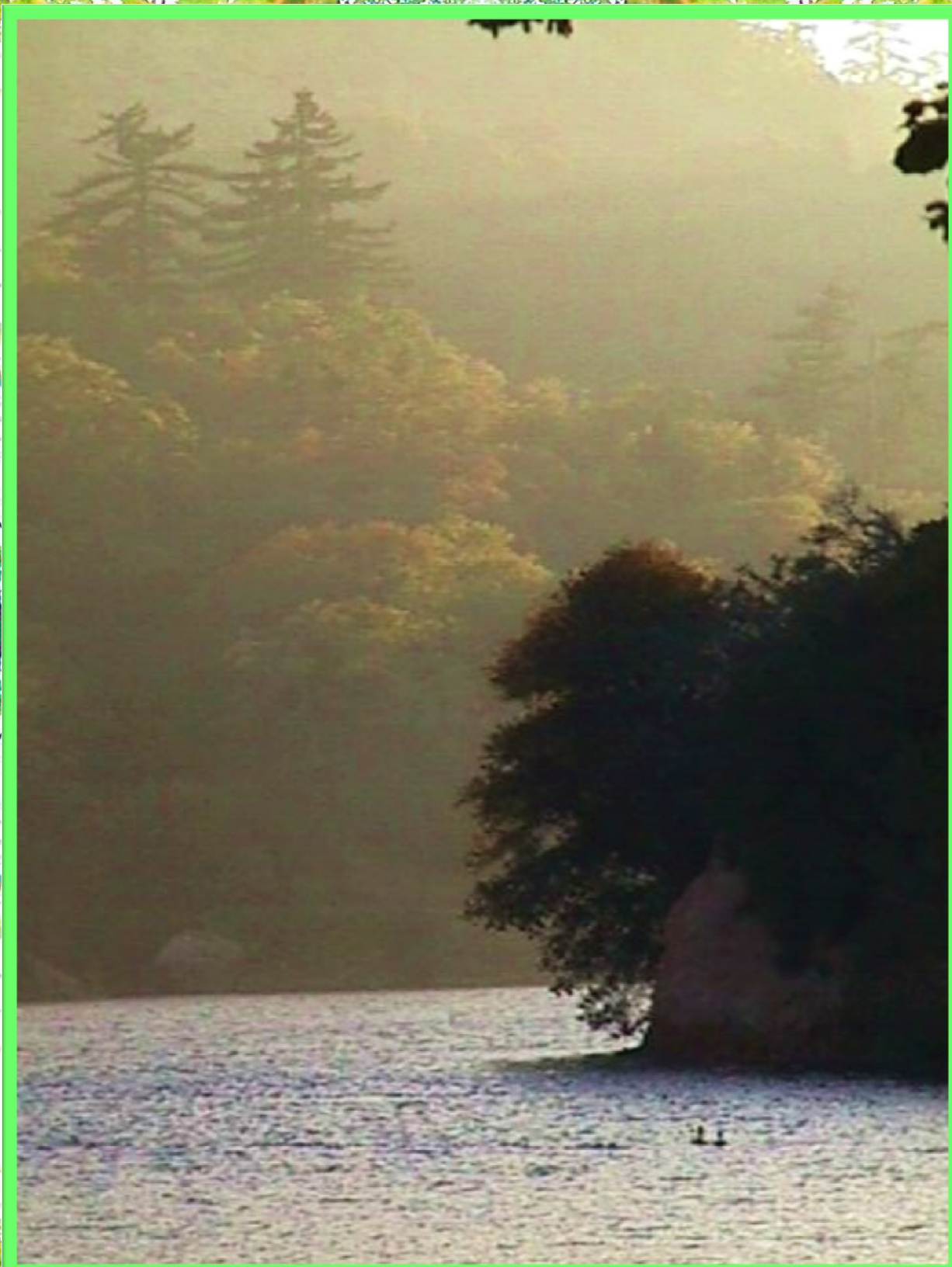
Antelope Country, Colorado

62.

Seeking Spirit

Omnipresence Fills You
With Infinite Knowledge

Now.



Eared Grebes, Silverwood Lake, California

63.

The Teacher Said

If You Would Follow Me

With Perfect Respect

Don't Imitate Me.

64.

The Word

Silence :

A Distant Friend

Talking Loudly.



Wildflowers, Dawn, New York State

65.

One

Conceptless Innocence :

All One Alone -

A Sky Full Of Friends !



Moose in Meadow, Grand Tetons Nat. Pk.

66.

Co-incidence

Interplay

of Subtle

Inevitabilities.



Cherished Wildflower, Santa Cruz, Calif.

67.

Flower Song

Trust

In Manifestation :

Fragrant Beauty

Grows.



Housatonic River's Water-Sculpted Stone

68.

Hidden

Consorting

With Universal Reality,

I Am

Unseen.



69.

What is the Sound
of One Hand Clapping?

A lonely person.

70.

How Lonely
is the Universe ?

As Lonely as
Love is Forgotten.



Waterhole Residents, Appalachian Trail, Ct.

71.

Messages

Melodic Messages

From Other Worlds . . . :

Universal Harmony !

72.

Goodwill Toward Humanity

May Peace Become,
More and More,

The Law
In Your Lives,

And Love
Its Only Variation.



Gravel Bar, Mashamoquet Brook St. Pk., Ct.

73.

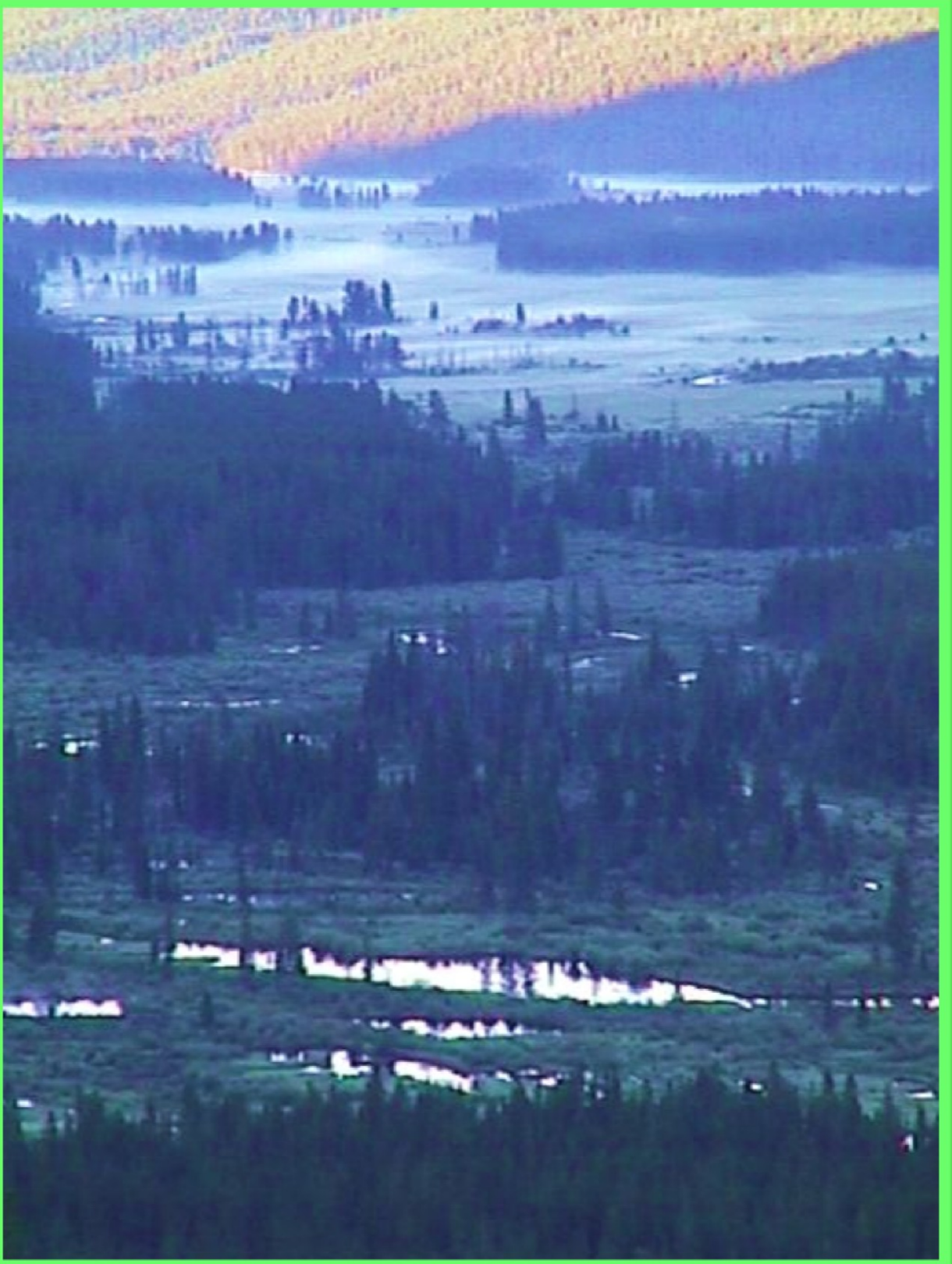
Wealth

Knowingness,

Everywhere
Beautiful, Bountiful !

The Billion Trillion

Knowing Beings.



Dawn, Misty Hollow, Rocky Mtn. Nat. Pk.

74.

Broody, Moody Woods

The Broody Woods...
Quiet, Distracted,

Disjointed Chirps
Of Bird Comment. . .

Then,
Emerging from Absorption,
Our Focus Aligns
With Scintillating Musics :

Many Throats,
Many Minds!
In the Woods
Uninvaded
Melodious Kinds Continue

Trustful
Symphony
In the Forest of Time.

75.

Manoa Melodies

Shimmering Avenue of Melodies
Winds Amidst the Storied Trees

This Bathing Pool,
Shared for an Age,
Is Rich With

The Lore of Ancestry.

Her Approving Embrace,
These Waters,
Inspires,
And Renews
Our Endeavor
To Light the Fires

Of Wisdom and Love

In the Species I Am.



Salmon River, Northern California

76.

Mother Nature

Mother Nature is
Waiting for that Inspiration
Which,
When penetrating
Each of Her Myriad Channels,
Awakens Her Own
Self – Appreciation
With the Recognition that
Another is Appreciating Her. . .
Such is Love !
And Such Awakening
Is the Sublime Shared Moment. . .
Movement. . .
Monument! . .
To Eternity. . .
That the Purpose of Life
In Love is Found !



Puma, Western North Carolina Nature Center

Soulful Explosion

Myriad Gentle Perspectives,
Soulfully Tactual Testimonies,
Are Summarised by
Our Explosive Joy.

In the Definitive Ecstasy,
None of Our Pure Passion Cares
Whether the Kings or the Queens
Are on Top...

True Gods and Goddesses
Are Simultaneous and Co - Spatial
With the Supreme Being,
Love.

Only Love's Brave
Can Endure Such Freedom.

Are You One of Us ?



Lakeshore Boulder, Adirondacks

78.

Accept

Accept Perfection

It is the Heritage of Uncounted Epochs
Of Steadfast Faith and Labor

On the Part of The Spirit Supreme
In These Fields of Mind and Matter.

Life is Perfect: Dare to Believe
That You Are Breathing It's Truth
Eating and Drinking It's Law ;
In Each Moment of Existence :

That Indeed
Perfection Is The Gift Received,
And the Enjoyer Receiving As Well.

Accept Perfection As Essence
And Universality ;

As the Life In Everything,
And Even Our Self.

Accept Perfection If You Accept Anything In Truth,
Or Accept Not even Love Itself...

The Ancient, Or the Youth.



Magnolia Blossoms, Spring, Redwood Nat Pk

79.

Be Leaf

What is our Belief,
Its Roots ?

The Centered Life
Stands Patiently

And Fruits.



Mossbrae Falls, Northern California

80.

The Only Control

Is Self - Control :

The Universe is Alive !



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