



celebrating with song

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of poetry with music & two songs

Chances One: Yes, It's Yes

you asked me before
if there were only so many
loves in your life

if there are only so
many chances
for love

and I said yes

and I know
that you think
it's because of fate
or god
or religion

but I know that
there are only
so many chances
to feel that bond

that there can only be
so many people
who perfectly fit you

who fit life a glove

who wants what you want
who feels like I feel
who dreams what you dream

you ask me if
there are only so many loves
who dream what you dream

you ask me if
there are only so many loves
and the answer is
yes
oh yes, it's yes

Decision

My heart is already
torn apart from you
All I ask is your decision -
is that too much to ask?
All I ask is your decision -
must you break my heart in two?

You break down my
defenses with your stare
All I ask is your decision -
or must My heart you tear?
All I ask is your decision -
or do you even care?

I think I've taken
all that I could take
All I ask is your decision -
is it one you cannot make?
All I ask is your decision -
how long must I now ache?

You love me, but you
have her by your side
All I ask is your decision -
is it hard for you to hide?
All I ask is your decision -
it's with me you confide
All I ask is your decision -
does she know you lied?

you say you want me
but you want her too
All I ask is your decision -
I will not wait for you
All I ask is your decision -
I will not be your fool

Choices

don't hate yourself
for the choices you've made

just make the right choices

Update 2011 on the Man who Loved me

It's approaching
the anniversary
since you died

but the anniversary
of the date we started dating
is closer

and though we dated
I never got too close
because I knew you'd pass away
at an early age

though I didn't know
it would be that early

I never got too close
you told me you loved me
and I think I hurt you
when I said I couldn't reciprocate

I think I felt the way you did
but I couldn't take the final leap

But I remember how you said
you loved me
then you would break up with me

it wouldn't break my heart, of course
it'd piss me off
when I knew I was better than you
and you had the audacity
to break up with me

but it's approaching that anniversary now
and all I wonder now
is how many chemicals they used in you
to preserve you,
before they buried you
and I wonder how well your flesh has held up
after you started to decompose

I'm sorry,
I don't want to think of you as decomposing
but I don't want to think of you as dead

so
do I need an update
or do I need these reminders
as it approaches our anniversary

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