

Only by Night

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Caressed by shadows, soft as silk
The moonlight, warm as mother's milk
No longer ruled by the light of day
My mind at ease, I slip away
Where darkness shatters the precepts of time
Forging me moments of crystal, sublime

Here I look not with my eyes
Emotions rule this dark abyss
Tracing paths on sacred skies
Made immortal by the shadows' kiss

Where no one knows such whispers
As intimate as this.

Yet with every waking, torn asunder
Nearly drowned in empty wonder
Swept from the torrent of the astral stream
Released from the clutches of another dream
But still I wade in its ephemeral wake
Fishing for memories which I never can take

Forgetfulness is unforgiving
When for eternity, providence bars
From the world of the living
That which only by night, can the chance for be ours

To be, but for a single breath,
As one among the stars