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# GICANIRO Gicaniro - poems -

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# GICANIRO Gicaniro(11/11/1993)

His life like an appealing tome with veiled uncharted chapters.

Armed only with a pen he begun a life struggle where only his psyche would save him

And so here he is now... HEADING TO THE BEGINNING OF THE WORLD.

### 'we Are One' Can'T Be Our Song.

With some Brazilians without a home to belong
'We are one' is the world cup's song
For all those billions invested along
Brazilian starving people would long
I bet, Jenifer and pit-bull were wrong
'We are one' is such people's pain prong
Ignore all about Brazuca
Please go back to South Africa
Ask 'has your lives got any better? '
'No' they will say, 'only corporation owners get better'

### A Land Far Away

Sometimes, with life I long
And if am not I sing that song
How I went to Norway
A land far away
I made friends in such a way
Makes me sing in awe!
I still hear the roar of the roll coaster,
I still see all OD posters
Barbeque with every one of you
The hotel service with Oslo in view
So lucky without snow the sky was blue
it Warms my heart and that's true.

### A Shortsighted Mouth.....

To the last generation See that you emerge in a different situation Make sure you come within a new creation Great will be your fortified nation From which no alien will find an incursion Learn from the first generation Their failure needs your correction Their skills needs your collection Had daughters gorgeous like yours, Had sons gorgeous like yours, Had walls enormous like yours... Something you have they could not; A black board to write on, And a chalk to write with, A teacher to pay attention to, And a class to enforce team work, A text book to make research, And a screen to focus on, A pen to practice with, And a free time, to make friends One thing they had you will never have; A shortsighted mouth...

#### A Widow Like Her

A widow like her
Awakes before sunrise
Though sleepy still she rise
To work hard and end up with a prize
To break up with poverty and its ties
A widow like her must go in disguise
Only because her neighbors take her unwise
That her children have shrieked in size
From garden to market to kitchen like rolling dice
Hurrying up food to stop her children's cries
Each one she serves a plate on it a slice
Night falls and she kneels down for a sacrifice
Praying and wishing tomorrow may turn paradise

#### But Look! What Has Become Of All!

ALL used to feel so free
As proud as if ALL owned a super degree
As contented as if ALL grew money on an invisible tree
As safe as if ALL had come to terms with Satan on a harmony decree
But Look! What has become of ALL!
Slowly starts an illusion of fear
Suddenly, seriously getting too near
To the point ALL can hardly drop any tear
Glancing in history, it's something rare
Yet it is something ALL tries hard to bear!
This must be a war against ALL's happiness I swear
Must ALL plead peace with a system which don't care?
Or must ALL behead ALL's happiness slayer?
Either way, ALL should get down stair
Keeping in mind what ALL leaves behind for ALL's heir?

# **Chanting Slogans**

Chanting slogans

Cloaked crowd crawly creeping in and out of the cube,

Crook claiming critically of a cream creed of which the state carelessly crashed.

Cutting short a crimson cat which coiled to and fro,

Certainly a cry from a caressed child,

Catering to cope with a curling coin...

Crumbled protesters

Crushing into police,

Cautiously crafting a calm crane,

Coiling placards whilst others

Chanted slogans...

### Children Of Light Freedom

Sing your song of faith;

To avid thinkers and to craving ears

To hysterical expressions and to derelict empathy

To fretful souls and to plaintive eyes

Children of light and freedom

Hoist your emblem of peace and wave its wings of bated breath;

To shattered nations and to bitty metropolis

To gone monarchy and to mislaid ethnicity

To trodden worriers and to their alienated dynamism

Children of light and freedom,

Imitate the walk of heroes and evoke the ways of your ancestors;

To annihilate obscurity in our lives

To echo every part of our breathtaking reminiscences

To revive the lost realm

Children of light and freedom

Narrate your stories of fidelity and share your riddles of wisdom;

To comprehension believers and understanding seekers

To myth lovers and riddle solvers

To trouble-free insightful minds and to implausible revelation fantasists

Children of light and freedom

Call the world to pity the impecunious and failure sufferers

Call the nations to cease fire and free democracy

Call the presidents to think about their citizens first then their stomachs later.

Children of light and freedom

### **Christ Is The Rock**

Mind you I tried to cope
As if life was the only hope
Loved ones were not at home
Why not try the rope
Hang myself and then drop
I have heard Christ is the rock
In him you're free from the mock
You can dance or may be hop
Unlike the king of pop
One is able to be like a pope...

### **Codes Of Reality**

Murky chambers secrete secret dealings
Bottomless splits havens precious pebbles
Discarded possessions suck the swarm
Kaput spirits deem in hush
Sopping souls resort in sorrow
Gripe outraged by graveness only is worn graciously by greatness
Confusion ignites the hellhole of war
Direness a chanted slogan of trepidation
Valor a bizarre fable to vagrants
Free will the hymn to rights
Reconciliation a legitimate line of attack to unity
Civilization strips way to modernity
Sorority, sagacity shall salt away humanity

# Even If The Sky Is Blue

Even if the sky is blue
Say no to bird's flue
With it health is worse that's true
Take caution that's how I grew
Avoiding gangs and bad clue
Am I dreaming or talking to you!
If so please say hi Mr. Do.

### For Both Of Us

When I see the dew drying
I know the sun will be rising
When I see clouds forming
I know the rain will be falling
When I see how much you care
I know one day you'd be there
Where life will be fair
For both of us.

### I Am A Villager

I would like to be local
Even though ma pockets would be so cold
I would like to stay home
I hate the way city people are so alone
I would lay and stay down
When they are high, city people lie

I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager

I would like to know ma neighbors name City people don't, yet they feel no shame I would like to raise my own children City people don't, they got someone to blame

I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager

I would like to be smart
City people own smart phones instead
I would like to control things
City people are controlled by things instead

I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager

I would like to eat a balanced meal

City people don't, they eat a mixed meal I would like to carry smiles
City people don't, they carry files instead I would like to walk miles
City people don't, they go seated instead

I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager

I would like to be buried
City people burn instead
I would like to grow crops
City people manufacture them instead
I would like to be under no government
City people are governed instead

I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager

I would like not to go to school City people do and graduate I would like to live with nature City people make it live for them

I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager

I would like to take no drugs City people do, they live by them I would like to pay no taxes

#### City people do, they believe it's fair

I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager

I would like to be spiritual
City people don't, they are religious
I would like not to be an animal
City people do, they are the sheep of God

I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager

I would like to be freedom
City people don't, they are free instead
I would like to die some day
City people don't, they avoid death every day

I am a villager A villager I am a villager A villager I am a villager

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#### I Am Who Am Not But Should Be.

Am that dying person fighting to know what has killed me, I am that ill patient helplessly lying on a death bed struggling to unearth the cause of my disease. I am that bleeding woman shouting out to understand why rape is a legal tool of war. Am that exhausted worker who dozes on and off unable to imagine the importance of my productivity, which grows day by day but leaves my wage unmoved. Am that believer, who when oppressed calls out for the hand of the Christian-Muslim God but in vain. I am that low simple human being who longs to be raised and made great in the name of human dignity. All in all, I am who am not but should be. Just who I am...

### I Feel I Can'T Feel My Own Feelings

- I feel,
- I feel like a stranger with my own feelings
- I feel like an outcast in my own healing
- I feel like deception in my own truth
- I feel like a coward in my own greatness
- I feel like a loser in my own victory
- I feel like the victim in my own attack
- I feel I can't find right words from my own lips
- I feel am opting out of my own success
- I feel my soul dodging my own body
- I feel my failing exceeding my own guts
- I feel my nightmares overcoming my dreams
- I feel dejected in my own being
- I feel a refuge in my own nation
- I feel missing in my own premises
- I feel blind with my own open open eyes
- I feel empty with my own well-informed mind
- I feel stolen with the divine likeness am wearing?
- I feel you could tell me what you feel am feeling right in my feelings.

# I Prefer Such A Teacher

I prefer such a teacher
Who, unlike that preacher
Who to him everything is a signature,
In students he sows a seed as if in agriculture
And watches it unfold like a book in literature

# I Still Can Crawl To My Glow.

Ridicule my pride
Go on, reverse my ride
Try, take all yours from my side
Scare me more than the tide
Insult me to the worst of my fright
One thing though. Something to know
I still can grow.
I still can flow,
I still can crawl to my glow.
What a blow! here i go

### If I Can Think, I Can Be

If I can think am man I can also think am woman If I can think am tall I can also think am short If I can think am wise I can also think am dull If I can think am normal I can also think am abnormal If I can think am something I can also think am nothing If I can think am black I can also think am white If I can think am here I can also think am there If I can think am happy I can also think am sad If I can think I can I can also think I can not If I can think I am I can also think I am not. if i can think, i can be.

#### If What I Feel Is Love...

if what I feel is love,
Then it's something I should have,
Truly, it's something I should serve

For every time I see somebody fall As if I've heard a God's call Hopping any man made wall I miraculously run to their haul Honestly, it warms my soul

if what I feel is love,
Then it's something I should have
Truly, it's something I should serve

For every time I see somebody cry
I forget all about my thighs
Though not easy, but still I try
And remind them of a 'happiness unnoticed why'
Sincerely, this has increased my ties
On this I would not lie

if what I feel is love
Then it's something I should have
Truly, it's something I should serve

For every time I learn of a thing right
I promptly raise it to everyone's sight
Wishing them to shine more light
In which myself, I'll find delight
A cause the wise envy my wisdom height

if what I feel is love
Then it's something I should have
Truly, it's something I should serve

For even when I deserve that gain I consider my partners' pain

At times it financially hurts like a Cain But spiritually it's more of a magic rain That feeds the roots of a king's reign

And if what I feel is love Then it's something I should have Truly, it's something I should serve

### In A World Of My Own

In a world of my own
Sit in the open,
Serenely staring at the hub of the galaxy,
Snarling stars scorching
Sparkly holly hoisted to my eternity.
Shelling stars in slow motion saluting the Sonnet coronet prince,
Sizzling stones seafaring the will of their seldom lord,
Surely the solar system is slightly
Stretched out to sighing souls!
Swiftly, in a dive of spirit, I
Slide back to realism in my seat.

# In The Darkest Of Days

In the darkest of days
Genocide left us in dismay
In the blindness of our gaze
We were all carried away
Some among us led a stray
Some among us slain at river bays
What does God have to say?
In our darkest of days
When evil leaves us in dismay!

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### Life Remains

Like poverty with no property
Like faith with no base
Like grace with no face
Like a drought in doubt
Like a vision in prison
Like a lesson in question
Like peace in pieces
Like freedom in boredom
Like greatness in graveness
Like charity in calamity
Like manners in drama
Like courage in damage

Like a bloodshed and a sweet bread Like victory, history and mystery. Life remains....... A heart break and a flag raise

#### Love Is

Love is

The only thing blind eyes can see
The only sound deaf ears can hear
The only word mute lips can utter
love is

The only thing dull minds can understand
The only touch the fading paralyzed can feel.
Love is

The only race the crippled would run and win.

The only kind of hard work the lazy would not stop to do.

Love is

That fantasy within which reality is fiction
That understanding with which darkness joins hands with lights
And march together like longtime friends.
Love is

That divine air, circulating within the lungs of any man Believes they would never stop breathing Even amidst flying bullets and thundering bombs Love is

That route once you journey it becomes impossible to return And if it happens, know you've been somewhere else Not in that route.

Love is

Likened to that new hatched chick Which, as it breaks the egg shell Would never go back inside...

Love is

The inspiration behind this poem in this poet!

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### My Fathers' Stinking Spell!

She yells in the morning Quarrels at noon, taunting A whole evening

Never satisfied with another woman's son; I fetch water from miles, to fill the ten pots But, suddenly, she bursts 'This idiot is overflowing my pot'

Let her be!

Let her obscurity gulp down my glow, after all father cares not.

Only the hills appreciate the twinge from the throbbing of my back And the swollen feet as I budge forth and back from the river, and

The humiliation blown by temper conceded by the situation So in fate all is put down on me.

Why me? And why not me!
Twilight hoards a lot of me
From the power of darkness
Covers me from her wicked spell

'Oh! How I wished this bed ingest you to night only to unearth your bones for your father to bury' As if that is my good night baby...

# One Day, We Shall Meet Our Dream

Some day some way,
The sun will rise, for those who need light
The moon will show up, for those who don't give up
One day we shall meet our dream,
In which we are taken too deep,
We shall wake up from that sleep,
also shall float on that sea,
Where one step leads to another...

# Only Good Thing Is Love

only good is love,
Something you can have
Whether your age is below or above
It goes even to the smallest dwarf
Though at times it is rough
Who would ever stop to laugh?
With it everything is enough
Try it and get a half
Your life folds like a scarf!

### Peacefully Delight In Peace

Peacefully delight in peace

Peace be peacefully in peace,
Peacefully to peaceful
Peace seekers on peaceful
Peace missions, who in peaceful peace,
Peacefully ended up peace in peace
Peacefully,

Peacefully, peaceful Peace peacefully in peace is like a peacefully peaceful Peace piece pinned at a peaceful Peacefully pitch in Peace, Peered in Peace Peacefully by every peacefully Peaceful eye in the name of peace, Peaceful Peace peacefully in peace peaceful is passed peacefully in Peace, peaceful from peacefully Peaceful peace believers in peace peacefully to peaceful peace Peaceful peace seekers,

#### Peacefully

Peace in peace be peacefully to peaceful

Peace believers of peace who in Peace peacefully peaceful delight in peaceful Peace.

Peacefully in peaceful peace peacefully delight in peaceful peace peacefully for peace in peace.

# Please Don'T Ask Why,

I see you walk by
Sorry I can't say hi
Hugging you would be a lie
Am left to dropp from too high
'an unknown lover' a news paper I would buy
One day you will find out
Please don't ask why...

### Still You Care Not.

Trail away to trace your steps Linger around hopefully we might meet Brush my eyes to grip your see..

..Act the tortoise always behind you Beckon my hands to portray your view Sing your song to make your clue

Bestow a chance award me life Bid a moment and save my dive Grin back and bestow a hug Grant me time please care.

Still you care not...

### Still, It's All About Us.

Cursing or praising you Holdin you or lettin you fall Hatin or lovin you Walkin to or away from you

Still, it's all about you

You've been on mind ever since
I saw the light of yo beauty shine
You've been ma girl ever since
You walk up the boy inside of me
You've been the reason ever since
I decided to make it new

Still, it's all about you

Sometimes hating you
I could never wish to see you again
Other times angry about you
I could never wish to hear from you
Sometimes scared of you
I could never wish to get near you
Other times tired of you
I could never wish more of us

Still, it's all about you

You are a 'sleepy face' I could joke at times You are an 'empty mind' I could think that too You are a 'beautiful mess' I could joke at times You are a 'devil's soul' I could think that too

Still, it's all about you Still, it's all about us.

### **Strive And Thrive**

Strive you'll thrive
Avoid shame and believe
With a will you'll live
Stride, sometimes strike
Standstill, and be saved
With a pride you'll be praised
Shout out, speak up
Beware, don't give up
With courage you'll be taken up
Rise and be your prize
Sighing ends in sacrifice
With a price you'll be heights

### Tales Of My Wife

Unless my neighbor is well dressed

A woman so aggressive, allows me no option to dress

The mere danger of mockers

The only soul, left to love and pity

Why not call her the mercy monger

Truthfully am married;

To a woman twice my age, twice my rage

To a lady twice my beauty, twice my moody

To a girl twice my nuts, twice my guts

Her name is selfless,

Oh! How she is so selfish

To sometimes I wish,

She may well put off selflessness

And wear myself in herself

Could she ever think of less-ness anymore?

She is so a spy than I am

To see that, as we live

I am no more than I am.

One thing though,

Something caches my thought,

The sense of her cause

Makes me forget to dare

Spit a word like divorce.

A woman with a heart,

Warms my heart,

As she saves a scarcely surviving heart

A princess of her superiority

How could she prefer,

An unknown prince of my personality

I have heard tales of her sisters

One was engaged to Mandela:

So selfless, she spent 27 years with a jail dweller

Inside the jaws of prison, was that her mission?

One was betrothed to King Luther:

You know rumors fly,

One went astray and touched my thighs,

That she spoke on his behalf,

Remember her river side cry?

And that is my wife

My selfish, self full 'honey' At the end turns her husband into A less selfish, selfless homey Believe it! she allows me no sleep Even when my rival is on a drip Believe it! She smiles to me no good Only because, a stranger is no mood She loves me to be like her And her like me I wonder who, is husband or not? Who's, wife or not? Why she turns so selfish Makes me selfless She has become the symbol of my life, The slogan of my love, The melody of my words, oh! Selfless my wife

### The Shame Modernity You Are!

You've seized us farther from ways of an old ancestor, You've doomed us to fright on our own gloom, You've set brood to parents and relatives over their relations.

You shore up violence well as persecution, You shelter terrorists, back murderers and prize discrimination.

You've driven our hearts to obscurity.

You hired nepotism and corruption to suck minority at a cost,
You're fortified with hacking,
Not a soul can flight from your fraud
You've hailed blow and sought abet from orbs of destruction.

### Upside Down, The Pyramid Will Turn

Inequality is so wide
Wages are so tied
People are so much lied
That with voting wishes are satisfied

Upside down, the pyramid will turn Inside out it will burn For the first time, it will be fun When 99% will sit and plan For the 1% we shall barn

Ten thousands will have a choice Millions will have a voice As billions assume back their poise

Upside down, the pyramid will turn Inside out it will burn For the first time, it will be fun When 99% will sit and plan For the 1% we shall barn

With God on our side
Truth is our ride
And if Action is our guide
Victory is our bride

Upside down, the pyramid will turn Inside out it will burn For the first time, it will be fun When 99% will sit and plan

### Venom In Veins

Venom! In veins

Here lies a woody like wood

Waiting to be snoozed on shores of sorrow,

Keeps on cancelling days on a yellow paper,

Rather than recording fading fate of its stoutness like the doctor had commanded.

Desire to live longer blinds its' mind to forget the night it committed sin; Mercy! Mercy! Mercy!

It bawls loud enough not to kindle a quiescent virus!

# Weeps Amother

As my children are born
My children are gone
As those at the throne
In our offices, are left alone
Where is my child
If not I will get louder
At their plunder
Like thunder
weeps a mother

### What If All You Knew Was A Lie!

What if all you knew was a lie.
Wouldn't it make you cry?
Wouldn't it make you sigh?
How about you give it a try
Spread your wings and learn to fly
Take the road less traveled by.
I promise it won't make you die

#### Yes We Can

Yes we can.

Can't we coerce our own dreams to reality?

Can't we stick by and shield our own rights?

Can't we like lions fright away those wolves?

Can't we like birds nourish our children?

Can't we like bees construct our own roads?

Yes we can.

Can't we, if coped to mount from ash twist into thriving rocks?

Can't we like them bestow aid to puerile states?

Can't we like the heart impel peace to our regions?

Can't we alter our presidents from hedonism?

Can't we sanctify our lands both to nosh us and provide for market?

Can't we craft our harvest to win finer worth on global souk?

Can't we haul up our flag in G.20 pinnacle?

Yes we can.

Can't we sing, interpret books, and operate technology the whole lot from our own inventions?

Can't we set our own millennium goals?

Can't we also oversee in their elections?

Can't we end next stage, until we board our own invented planes, buses...?

Can't our own language be the official one?

Yes we can.

Can't our engineers head in our own mines?

Can't our professors govern in our own institutions?

Can't our doctors operate in our emergency rooms?

Can't we give heed to our culture?

Can't we pronounce our own autonomy?

Can't we hoist soaring high our flag of freedom?

Yes we can.