

Poetry Series

Miss Thang

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One thing I absolutely need you to understand.
Is that you are a beautiful and amazing man.
You have the ability to see my heart and feel my pain.
And because of you my life will never been the same.
Although I know you won't say a word.
I know some part of you is scared to be hurt.
You have up your defenses and don't know how to let go.
But, I'm here for you and I need you to know.
That no matter what, no matter when.
I'm here for you... As your wife and your friend.
I might get upset, and I might shed some tears.
But, hon, no matter what, I'll be right here.
There's nothing you can do to make me leave.
And that's something I need you to believe.
Some part of you expects to be let down.
And expects me to quit and not stick around.
You're waiting for the day that I say, 'This is too much'
And you wait for the day that I say, 'I've had enough'
my love, on January 1st when you gave me this ring
I made a vow to be faithful and patient through everything.
Not just the good, and days filled with sun.
And not just days that are wonderful and fun.
When you're hurt and you're mad, upset or afraid.
Just remember what I promised in the vows that we made.
I won't leave you and I won't change my mind.
I'll be standing patiently right by your side.
And that's what I intend to do no matter what.
Even when things get hard or things get rough.
I promise you that every day for the rest of my life.
I'll be right here trying to be the perfect wife.
So, baby, you can feel safe to let down that wall.
And know that there's nothing to fear, nothing at all.
I won't take you for granted and I'm not out to hurt you.
And I won't walk away no matter what we go through.
I'm here to appreciate and unconditionally love you.
And know that I understand because sometime I'm scared too.
God set us apart for each other above everyone else.
For richer or poorer through sickness and health.
And the love I give you is pure straight from my soul.

I hope in time, my love will allow you to let go.
I hope it opens that door with the key you threw away.
And you'll finally know that my love isn't just for today.
I love you my husband more than I can ever express.
And I promise you that our love will pass the test.
With Passing grades and flying colors.
A love more perfect than any other.
So from today to forever for the rest of our lives...
my husband I love you more than our daughter loves pie.

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Again

Sitting in this room bombarded with truth
Not wanting to be still, but scared to move
Convictions overwhelming

Scared to move forward, don't want to look back
Looking at where my life is and should be at.
Same choices different men
Too old to be this and do this again
Looking at my life again today
Not one word left to say
Nothing but Again.

Miss Thang

Anniversary

You once asked me if I could have anything what would it be?
I looked into your eyes, took a deep breath, and said, "Serenity."
In the past year you have changed my life.
I found that peace of mind when you made me your wife.
Because of you, my whole life has changed.
A new home, new family, and a new last name.
You've shown me the meaning of true love.
And have proven yourself no matter what I've done.
It's been a year – three hundred and sixty five days.
And day after day I continue to be amazed.
Amazed by your love and patience and trust.
I never knew I could love anyone this much.
So, today on this the fourteenth of June two thousand and seven.
I know that God sent you straight down from heaven.
He molded you and created you specifically for me.
To show me how beautiful real love can be.
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY.

Miss Thang

Apologies

I know sometimes I make things hard.
Because part of me is still broken and scarred.
Hon I know that sometimes my tongue is sharp
And I know sometimes I make it hard.
There's a part of me filled with pain
Hidden deep in a world consumed with rain
The rain drops roll down my face disguised as tears.
As you witness the pain I've felt through the years.
There's a part of me that hasn't let go
Of the fear and pain I seem to know.
This fear appears when I get scared you'll leave.
And it surfaces when I find it hard to believe.
That you really do love me the way you say you do
Or when I try to accept that what you say is true
That you'll never hurt me you won't leave or desert me
That you'll love, protect, respect and reassure me
Then I go through it all over again
As I express these fears I try to pretend
Like I don't feel them or like they don't exist
As I fight the feeling and try to resist
I push them down deep and try to get by
Try not to be weak and try not to cry.
I've faced a world of rain and you're my sunshine
I know that my pain makes it hard sometimes.
My fears cause me to act like a jerk
And you feel unappreciated after all your hard work.
It's hard to express what I really feel
Because I'm scared it'll be too real
You'll get tired of seeing me cry
You'll throw up your hands and let out a sigh
Sayin, "I quit! That's enough! I'm done! "
You'll throw me the deuce and say "Holla! One! "
So please know I'm not trying to hurt you.
With some of the things I say and do
Sometime I just get scared or overwhelmed
And sometimes I frustrate myself.
I want to be a good wife and mom, too
Sometimes I just get frustrated when I can't do
All the things I know you guys deserve.

When I'm consumed with pain and hurt,
I know you do your best to understand.
But I know that you're only human.
It does get irritating and it does get old.
I understand everything you say and what I've been told.
So, while I continue to work through my pain
I'll let go of the hurts that somehow remains.
I love you and I thank you for everything you do.
Trust me, hon, I want to be done with this, too.

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Are You Willing?

Are you willing to be patient with me?
Do you promise things be like you say they'll be?
Are you willing to wipe my tears and dry my eyes?
Do you promise not be like all the other guys?
Are you willing to hold me until I'm no longer scared?
Are you willing to share those things you've never shared?
Do you promise never to lie and always keep it real?
Can you promise to always try to understand how I feel?
Are you willing to jump through hoops for me?
At least until I know this is a safe place to be?
Do you want this as much as you say you do?
Can you swear you'll never cheat and always stay true?
Do you love me enough to take your time?
Do you promise to come seek when I try to hide?
Do you swear you're sure that I'm the one?
Do you promise to keep me second to none?
Do you promise never to leave?
Can you give me hope and help me believe?
Are you willing to put in work?
Are you the one to mend my hurt?
Do you promise not to change your mind?
Not to turn and leave me behind?
Do you promise not to change and treat me bad?
Can you promise not to add to the pain I've had?
Are you willing to wait until we're married?
Are you willing to release all the weight I carry?
Will you love me forever, not just today?
Can you promise to do and mean what you say?
Can you promise you'll still be here tomorrow?
Will you be here through my pain and all my sorrow?
Do you promise not to hurt me again?
Do you promise not to leave me like those other men?
Do you promise to allow me to be me?
Are you sure you can make me happy?
Do you promise to make me feel safe?
Are you willing to do whatever it takes?

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Done With Love

Wondering today about tomorrow
Wanting to rid myself of pain and sorrow
Feeling inadequate and alone.
Barely able to take care of my own.
I'm grateful and know that I'm blessed
But wait for the day we don't have to do with less.
Hating to limit the things I can provide
Holding back the tears, trying not to cry.
We have what we need and most of what we want
But feelings of guilt, they still tease and they haunt.
I wish I could do and give all they deserve.
But, I can't and honestly, it hurts.
I know this too shall pass, and we'll be fine
Just wanting to do it all for me and mine.
So, today I'll hold my head up high
Then exhale and let out a deep sigh
Know that God has all taken care of.
And they know all I do is done with love.

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Don'T Make It Hard

How can I fight for something that's not mine?
How can I do this keep and wastin my time.
Promises made, promises broken.
I'm tired of askin tired of hopin.
I ain't beggin no more for what I need.
I won't ask again and I won't plead.
I can't stick around it hurts too much.
I just asked for your time, honesty and trust.
If I can't have that, then I don't have you.
Tell me now, what else can I do?
I'm feelin like I gotta go, I gotta leave.
Like Viv said, don't make it hard for me.
I know you love me and I love you too.
But this is just too much for me to do.
I can't cry and fuss and fight every day.
If this isn't what you want, I can't make you stay.
I gotta take care of me and mine.
I can't sit around continuing to cry.
I know you want to do right.
I know you want me there at night.
But, you gotta understand.
I require a lot from my man.
I told you that from the beginning.
Even before you gave me that ring.
I don't think I'm asking for a lot.
Because I'm giving you all I got.
I love you, but I'm not willing to share you.
So you tell me....what else can I do?

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Fear

You consume me.
You preoccupy me.
You encompass me.
When I think of being without you, I'm lost.
It seems as if I've known you my whole life.
I know that you'll never leave me.
It is impossible for me to let you go.
You have left a mark on every facet of my life.
I wake up thinking about you.
I go to sleep thinking about you.
You are so comfortable for me.
You are all I've ever known.
I don't think anyone could ever know you like I
know you.
I try to let you go and fail every time.
I don't want to share you with anyone else.
You prevent me from moving on.
You hold me back from doing so many things.
Sometimes I push you away, but you always come
back.
Why are you so attracted me?
How do you have such a hold on me?

Your name is fear.

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Fishers Of Women

lord i can see their hurt
lord i can feel their pain
lord i stand before you
askin you this in jesus name
lord please guide my way
and give me words to say
lord help me show them their worth
let go of their pain and hurt
cuase lord i feel you callin me
telling me that they need me
to bring them to a better place
help put a smile back on their face
lord help me help my girls
please help me change their world
i want to be fishers of men
i know if I can reach 'em
you can teach 'em
just show me how, i come to you in prayer
ready with every part of me to share
You have a plan for me
that i can almost see
lord i hear you calling and i'm trying to hear
in prayer and in my bible tryin to draw near
i knwo you're bringing broken hearts to me
hoping i'll be strong enough to see
where you want them to be
close to you away from the pain
whole and complete not broken and mamed
lord i want to do
what you want me to
i just don't know how to
and I really need you.
To show me the way
give me words to say
I'm ready to obey
i feel you with me today
broken hearts, battered and bruised
hurt and alone, neglected and abused
Lookin to a man to fill the void

disappointing choice after choice
help me reach them
help me teach them

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For Life

My husband,
I know it's been a minute since I've jotted down some lines.
And I know that here lately we haven't had much time.
But I need you to know that I cherish every single day.
And you complete me in every single way.
You are brilliant, you are funny, and passionate too.
Just a few of the many reasons I'm so in love with you.
I hope that I make you feel loved every day.
And I hope you feel respected in every way.
You are so strong, yet sensitive to my needs.
And I'm ready to follow wherever you might lead.
So, to you, my husband, the love of my life,
Please remember how happy I am to be your wife.
I told you I'll never leave you and I won't let you down
I'll be there through the 4th quarter or even the 12th round.
I'm in this for life, the rest of yours and the rest of mine.
No matter what obstacles come - I'm ready to climb.
Climb to the top - as I stand in awe and stare
At all the hard work we put in together to get there.
So, my husband, when time is short and you're away,
Remember that I'm here for good - I'm here to stay.
Don't ever wonder if my mind will wander
Or if I might be tempted to squander
All the love and the trust we've put into this beautiful thing
because I committed to forever when you gave me this ring.

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Girl

Girl let's sit down and let's have a chat Take a minute to see where ya head is at
You think things have changed and I'm not the same Cause I have a wedding
ring and a new last name But that's not the case and that's not the deal Let me
take a minute to tell you how I feel.

I just want the same for you

I just want you to be happy to

So don't misunderstand I'm not judgin' you I just care about what you goin
through I don't want you to have to deal with the shame That I dealt with after
getting out the game It's hard lookin into the eyes of someone you love And tell
then about all the dirt that you've done I just don't want it to get to a place
Where its hard to look him in the face So if I can speak and it help you out Well,
that's what friendship's all about.....

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God Spoke To Me

God spoke to me today.
And this is what I heard him say:
"Angie, support your husband in his role.
He's helping broken kids become whole.
I blessed him with the gifts I did.
So he could use them with these kids."
God told me to support my man.
In any and every way I can.
He said be patient my time will come
I'm a work in progress - He's not done.
He said be understanding and have your back
Do everything I can to pick up the slack.
And do it with a humble heart
Know my role and play my part,
That's how I can make a difference, too,
By encouraging and supporting you.
He said to give the kids lots of hugs and kisses
And make sure they know that daddy misses
His sons and daughters and mommy too
And always know that we also miss you.
God said "Look at the bigger plan,
So many kids need this man."
You show you care but stay strict, too.
Most of these kids need that from you.
God said, "Be encouraged". You're doing His work
By helping these kids filled with anger and hurt.
Most don't have a dad or a loving mom.
It's up to you to encourage them to go on.
You provide the stability they don't get at home.
Some of these kids feel all alone.
No one to hug them. No one to care.
That's why it's so important that you're there.
God assigned you a position to fill.
To encourage them to fulfill his will.
You are an angel here on earth.
Sent to introduce these kids to their worth.
God told me to be quiet so I can hear.
Your silent anxiety and hidden fears.
He said you're scared that you'll let them down.

That if you fail, they won't stick around.
He said you can't save them all but if you stay strong
They'll stay because they know where they belong.
God wants you to keep watch over His kids
And do for them what no one else did.
Support them. Encourage them. Make them feel safe.
Don't let them quit – whatever it takes.
They look to you like Jesus did his dad.
Because you're the father most of them never had.
They need you to say "I'm proud of you, son.
Look at all the great work that you've done".
Praise them. Love them. Show them you're there.
Let them know when no one else does – you still care.
God told me to be patient and strong for you.
So you can accomplish what He needs you to.
So be encouraged, my husband, you're in His hands.
And He's blessed you with the ability to be the man
That will make a difference and change lives,
With an understanding wife by your side.
I'm proud of you and He is too
For all the things we know you'll do.

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God's Callin You

He's callin you and you puttin him on hold
Steady chasin after that paper and gold.
He called you the other day and you said you were on the other line
You said you were busy out in the streets 'tryin to get mine'
You lookin at your caller ID and pressin ignore
chasin after that change always tryin to get more.
I looked at your phone and He's not even in your 5.
And you wonder why you steady strugglin to survive.
The other day i saw you look at your phone
And when He called you it said, 'Caller Unknown'
Because you haven't taken the time to get his number
But steady in the streets tryin to hustle and plunder
It's time to pick your phone up and make that call.
Or your future won't be much of a future at all.
Call out His name and He'll do the rest
Don't wait to be disconnected and you have nothin left

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God's Promise

Sleepwalking through each day,
crying as I continue to pray.
He tells me, 'No more! You are free!
Released from sin unconditionally.
My child I knew you before you were formed.
And I loved you even before you were born.
I gave my son to suffer for you.
So that, my daughter, you wouldn't have to.
And yet I look down from above
With great compassion and so much love,
Only to see my child in such pain
As I hear her calling out my name.
I am here, my child, and I will never leave
I vow to provide you with all that you need.
So stand up tall, daughter, RISE!
I free you from every one of Satan's lies.
I bless you with hope and true confidence
And promise to you tremendous recompense.
I will make the broken places whole
And I will return joy to your soul.
Like an eagle, my daughter, Soar!
Bound by your pain and suffering no more.
I will restore the years of your youth
And replace Satan's lies with my unblemished truth.
So, my daughter, look to the cross for me
And there I hope you will finally see
Everything I ever wanted your life to be
Wrapped up in my son - sacrificially."

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Gotta Do Me

My whole life has been about taking care of others
Bein someone's daughter, sister, wife or their mother.
Sometimes I sit back and I reflect on my life
Back to when I was married and I was his wife
Back to when I had to raise my own mother
Had to take care of me, take care of my brother.
It's always been about everyone else.
I never had time to do for my self.
So now I'm doin what I gotta do.
Doin me, no longer doin you.

I'm not gonna save you
I gotta do me.
I'm not gonna raise you
I gotta do me.
I'm not gonna wait on you
I gotta do me.
I'm not gonna hate on you
I gotta do me.

So when you caught up again, I'm not the one
I used to be your savior, but now I'm done.
I've been through the things you're cryin about
I stood up like a woman and worked 'em out.
How can you ever stand on your own two
If someone's always around to carry you.
So I'ma love you enough to let you go.
Love you enough to tell you no.
Let you earn the things you've always been given.
Let you do for yourself make your own livin.
I'm not the one to hold you down
I refuse to go another round
So, I gotta take today and do for me.
I'm turning my back cause I gotta leave
You know what I'm sayin to you is true.
Don't think I don't love you, or that I don't care.
But if I stay, you'll never get there.

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Happy

Before I get ready to leave for the day
There's something that I really must say.
I have to say thank you for patience with me.
Because I know that it isn't always easy.
I know I can be frustrating and hard to understand.
But you continue to be as patient as you possibly can.
I appreciate that more than I can ever express.
And that is why God set you apart from the rest.
From your reassurance to your gentle touch.
It's no wonder why I love you so much.
You are a beautiful man and I'm so glad you're mine.
And like a fine wine we'll get better with time.
I look forward to waking up each day...
And look into your eyes just to say:
Today, tomorrow and for the rest of my life...
my husband, I am SO happy to be your wife.

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Heavy

how can i accept his love when i can't love myself
how can i talk to him when i'm too afraid to ask for help?
as i write this i wonder if this is where the problem lies?
am i speaking of my husband or looking to the skies?
Lord can you help me? Help me to believe?
That I can trust in you unconditionally
When i'm looking for love?
that everything i'll ever need i can look to you up above?
Please ease my heart. Ease my mind.
Mend my pain and shame this time
Lord can you see and feel the pain I'm in
I need to know, is it me? or is it him?
Lord i know i can't change him nor can i make him see.
All of the pain and feelings of sorrow that dwell in me.
Lord i want to live and feel safe as husband and wife
not look over my shoulder for the rest of my life.
Lord speak to my heart show me the way
i don't want to struggle through yet another day.
My heart is heavy, my soul is cold.
I know that through Christ I should feel bold.
I should feel loved - admired and special
I know that as i connect this paper and pencil
but lord i feel weak and sorry for myself
so down on both knees i plead for your help.
Please lord show me the way out
show me what your promises are truly about.
lord i need your help and i need your strength.
Because right now, my rope's out of length.
And i'm dangling at the end so angry and scared
feeling so hurt and lonely out there.
so please take my hand and give me a sign
that this pain i feel will soon be alright.
im so confused and afraid and angry too
now more than ever - i really need you.
Light my path - guide my way.
When i'm out of ideas and words to say
Stuck in a tunnel of distrust.
an emotional volcano ready to erupt.
Soothe me lord grant your peace upon me

ease my heart with reminders of things heavenly.
Lord be the father i never had.
hold me in your arms as would have a dad.
you are my father on whom i can depend.
and you provide the healing allowing me to mend.
satan's attacks raining down on me.
softly whispering lies so deceptively.
satan i rebuke you in jesus' name
christ's death on the cross releases my shame.
no guilt no remorse or feelings of fear
i can do all things as i hold christ so near
i balance on his grace and rely on his strength
he always prevails even when I have nothing left.
lord as i test the boundaries between insanity and faith
i ask you to guide and lead me to someplace safe.
some days i can't deal with feeling any of it at all
i feel so broken, insignificant and so small
so lord empower me to triumph over this pain
All this I ask you Lord, in Jesus' name.

Amen

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And i'm dangling at the end so angry and scared
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Amen

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How Things Used To Be

Sometimes I think about the way things used to be
before the happiness between you and me
my life was riddled with pain and uncertainty
consumed with questions and loneliness constantly
but when i look around at our family
i see all the way God's been blessing me
Thank you, lord, for family
thank you, lord for security
and i want to thank you, lord, for all the things i thought I'd never see.
I look around and see emptiness all around me
As I turn all i see are teary eyes and broken families
So many men and women too
left hopeless and don't even know you
i wanna let 'em know, i wanna make 'em see
That you can do for them all that you've done for me.
Show them that there is hope and you bring joy
to every man and woman girl and boy
I wanna share the light and share my story
Share the love and share your glory
Provide the hope you have to me
Win them for your kingdom - eternally
Lord, I wish that they could see
this ain't how life has to be
you bring serenity
to all of us so patiently
I kown there are those that feel
that your love just isn't real
that somehow they don't deserve your grace
or that your love doesn't apply to their case
Lord i know some people just dont' understand
they're just too scared to take your hand
they don't believe that they
deserve grace unconditionally
Lord help us to rebuild families
show me how to help them please
So much pain and loneliness
instead of peace and happiness
Help me lord to lead them to you.
I'm ready if you'll show me what to do

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I Can'T Save You

If you think I can save you, you're wrong
I've been trying too hard for too long...
I try to see you through clouded eyes.
No more I'm sorrys it's time for goodbyes
I know you love me, and I love you to
There's just nothing else I can do.
You want me to be that thing that sets you free
But, honey it's not in ME you gotta believe.
You have to look to Him for that.
Within me isn't quite where it's at.
I know that you want to be right.
I know it's only yourself that you fight.
I know it's so close you can touch it.
That poem I once wrote for her, now applies to you.
You and I both know what it is we need to do.
We need to stop fighting and avoiding the call.
Otherwise we'll continue to be nowhere at all.
He's callin me and I gotta respond.
I can't be still and not move on.
I gotta let go of the past and the mistakes I've made.
I have to let go of the hurt and the games I've played.
He has a job for me to do.
And it's something only I can do.

Miss Thang

I Wife'D Her...

She said I could have it any way I want it
But I told her her heart was all I wanted.
I told her I didn't want her body 'til I had her heart
And I knew the difference, I could tell the two apart
I wanted to show her all the beauty I saw within
That she was something special - different from other women
But she couldn't see it that beauty I saw in her
She couldn't see what I saw - she could not concur.
She was blinded by the demons and skeltons in her closet
Every time she gave her trust away it always seemed he lost it
The scars and pain of the past
kept her from believin' in a real love that lasts
Neglected abandoned and abused her entire life
I wanted to love her and save her.... so i made her my wife

Miss Thang

I'M Still Too Hurt

Last Night I Cried.

You looked at my face as the tears started to flow.
You asked me to open up and try to let go.
Let go of the walls, let go of the fear.
You said that you won't leave, you'll be right here.
As much as I hate that I gave in to you,
I know there was nothing else I could do.
You made me confront some things I didn't want to.
But, it just kinda happened, I shared them with you.
I have no idea how you got in my head,
Or how you got me to say the things I said.
You said you don't want my body until you have my heart.
But, I just don't even have a clue where I should start.
I have up my walls, and I have up my guard.
I'm sure you understand, but this stuff is hard.
Hard for me to admit it to myself, nonetheless you.
You claim that you're real, and what you say is true.
As much as you know what I'm about to say,
I'm not ready to believe that, not today.
It has nothing to do with you, it's all about me.
But, I can't give you my heart, because it isn't free.
My heart is still broken, and trying to mend.
Right now I just need you to be my friend.
I know you think this should be more than that.
But, right now that's not where I'm at.
I hope you understand you got a very special part of me.
You got more of me than many others will ever see.
You saw me cry, and shed those tears.
I shared with you my hurts and fears.
It was so uncomfortable to let you see me like that
You seeing me vulnerable, me sharing where I'm at.
I'm scared. I'm hurt. I'm confused and afraid.
Looking at you next to me in that place that you laid.
I know that I send you mixed messages and all,
But, I'm not ready to open up or let down that wall.
You asked me not to leave you or push you away.
I just don't know what to think, do, feel or say.
I'll let you be my friend, I'll let you be a part.

But, I have to be honest, you can't have my heart.
My heart is in hiding, and it can't be found.
I know how familiar that must sound.
I have to keep the control that I hold on to so tight.
I know it might not be fair, and it might not be right.
But in order to take care of me that's where I'm at.
I know you say you're not like every other cat.
And that might just be true, that might be the case.
But I'm just not ready, I'm not in that place.
So respect me today, and read these words.
Know that right now, I'm still just too hurt.

Miss Thang

Ladies, We Gotta Change

if you keep livin how you've always lived
you're gonna keep gettin what you always get
but if you change your attitude
He's gonna keep blessin you
But you gotta make a change
in order for Him to make a way
You gotta turn from the sinful life
if you ever wanna get it right
Put down the phone and pick up your bible
Stop callin ol' boy and call for revival
you can look in all the places you've already been
in the same relationship with different men
But you won't find happiness until you let go of the drama
Stand on your own two instead of leanin on ya momma
Runnin to lust and temptation
in and out of every relation
Walk away from the lust
run away from the drama
turn your eyes to heaven
instead of waiting on Obama
Cause the hope he's promisin
comes from Christ not him.
If you're ready to give up who you are and wanna change
You can keep on livin your live consistently the same.

Miss Thang

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Miss Thang

Lost

Lost in a pit of bitterness and pain
consumed in a blanket of guilt and shame
eyes covered by the lies unable to see
the beauty or strength that lies within me
overwhelmed and overworked most of my life
now spending every day trying to make it right
I toss and I turn haunted by the feelings within
wishing I could be like other women
Lord, i can't do this alone
you are the only key to open my happy home
i look out the peep hole and see joy outside
but between joy and fear it's up to me to decide
can you open my eyes rejuvenate my sight?
Pull me out of the darkness into the light?
Help me to rebuke the lies whispered in my ear
and as fear pushed me away - continue to draw me near
my brown frowns as my mouth turns down
and i fight with theses demons that seem to surround
i don't have the strength to fight them tonight.
lord pull me out of their grasp and into the light
remind me - show me - who i am within you
help me to differentiate between lies and the truth
i'm tired of being tired of constantly struggling
i'm tired of shedding tears and ready to sing.
Lord for tonight grant me a peace within
help me to rest in you and reject the sin
hold me tonight make me feel safe and secure
replace thoughts of fear with thought true and pure
ease my heart and relax my mind
hold my hand and help me unwind
help me wake feeling refreshed and rejuvenated
feeling complete and whole not hurt and aggravated

Amen

Miss Thang

Love Is Patient

If love is always patient, and love is always kind,
Then you'll understand when I say I need to take my time
If love isn't selfish, then you could understand
I need to take some time for me – without a man
You go back and forth with what you show me
And yet, you expect for me to believe you completely
But, I can't do that this time, I can't be naïve.
I've spent too much time with tears running down my cheeks.
I do love you, I can't say I don't.
But as much as I'd like to I just won't
Won't rush in - won't go blind
I can't do it, not this time
It's time for me to do me
It's time for me to really be
Be alone with myself and my hurts and my fears
Get rid of this pain, get rid of these tears.
I know you don't understand
You think you should be the man
The one to make me happy, the one to save my life
You want to marry me and make me your wife.
Baby, know that I believe that's how you really feel
But, understand I'm not secure in the fact that it's real.
You want to be ready – I know you do.
You want someone consistently there for you.
If you love me like you say you do
You'll let me do this and not make it about you.
This isn't about you – it's about me
Doin what I need to do, becoming who I need to be.
I can't be right wit anyone right now.
I can't do it because I don't know how.
I know how to be hurt; I know how to be mad
I know how to be comfortable always being sad.
I'm not complete, I'm not whole.
I have pains deep down in my soul.
I need to let 'em go and I have to do it alone.
It's all I've ever felt, and all I've ever known

Miss Thang

Love Unconditional

The greatest wish to ever come true
Was the wish I wished when I wished for you.
I prayed and asked God to console,
Heal me, help me, make me whole.
He blessed me by sending you into my life
Bringing joy and happiness to me as your wife.
I now see the love and peace for which I've yearned
After releasing the pain and letting go of the hurt.
God has been so good to me and somehow knew
The healing I'd find through loving you.
You teach me how to just relax
And not give in to Satan's attacks.
You teach me how to accept love,
To kiss and hug instead of push and shove.
You taught me how to actually feel,
Rather than shutting down trying to conceal
Each emotion and feeling, the hurt and pain.
Because of your love I'll never be the same.
Where I once saw darkness I now see light.
Where I once was blind I now have sight.
Your kiss has brought about a miracle in me
That everyone everywhere is able to see.
Observed by each and every member of my family
We're building stronger branches to our family tree.
You make me the person I always wanted to be,
A woman filled with passion, love and security.
I feel so blessed to see the growth between us
And will never be able to thank God enough.
Blessed to wake up next to my best friend everyday,
Falling in love with you over and over in every way.
Together we have formed a bond so strong
Something I've dreamt of for so very long.
If ever I wondered how true love could really be
I found out the day you said, "I do" to me.
Intrigued by your strength and love.
Matched only by the Lord above's.
Constantly amazed, awed and inspired
By your ability to satisfy my every desire.
Thank you, my husband, for bringing to me

The gift of learning to love unconditionally.

Miss Thang

Make It Work

I know you have the weight of the world on your shoulders
And sometimes it comes down on you like a ton of boulders.
I know it's a constant struggle to carry yourself respectfully
To make sure everything you say and do brings respect to me.
I know you're new to marriage and to what feels like rules
I know that you have a lot of pressure upon you.
I know you want to be a perfect husband and dad
And want to provide our kids with the family we didn't have.
I do see all the sacrifices you've made and the changes too
And even if I don't say it enough, I'm so proud of you!
You are a good man and I'm proud to be your wife
This marriage will take work for the rest of our lives,
But I'm committed to this and committed to us
There's nothing you can ask that will be too much.
I know sometimes you have to shut down to get the job done
You try to be there for me and still fill the kids lives with fun.
Neither of us is perfect. We both make mistakes
But we'll work together forever whatever it takes
With your hand in mine we'll stand united as one
To live to His glory until our days are done.
We're both still learning how to put the other first
And how to be open but caution with our words.
I know this is still new and we have lots more to learn
About understanding each others needs and concerns
I know you love me and I know you want to do right.
I know it's hard for us both when sometime we fight.
We're still getting to know each other and what we both need.
Trying to find the best way for us to assure we succeed.
All I ask is you talk to me and express how you feel
To please be honest and always keep it real
I promise to do my best to be patient and understanding
So you can become the man that God and I know you can be.

Miss Thang

Man's Burden

I know your burden is heavy as you wait for relief.
You lay in the bed praying just for some peace.
You have a world of responsibility upon you
Trying to be sure that you always do
Whatever it takes to do for everyone else
Too much pride to ask for some help.
You don't want to disappoint anyone you love
As you close your eyes praying to God above.
To strengthen you and give you the ability
To use you in all the ways you know He needs.
I know it's overwhelming and tiring too
All the things you feel expected to do.
I look at you with eyes of respect
Watching you trying to balance and reflect.
You see the needs of all the people around you
And constantly envisioning what to do.
You spend hours upon hours trying to please everyone
And yet you never feel like your work is ever done.
I know you don't get the response you deserve
For all you do as you continue to serve.
And if you haven't heard it enough
I want to be the one to hold you up.
To encourage and uplift you, praise you and love you
While you pour out your heart into all that you do.
I see the goal and I see the light
As you try and you try to get the kids right
Drained, exhausted, tired and sore
From the yolk of each child's burden you bore.
Be uplifted my love, even in your weakest hour.
Never allow Satan to steal or devour
The hope you possess or the joy that you bring
Providing support while it's on you that they lean
You are the rock, the foundation on which they build.
Resurrecting young dreams that were trampled or killed.
Their teacher, their mentor, their friend
The one thing on which they know they can depend.

Miss Thang

Married To My Best Friend

It's been a minute since I've dropped you some lines,
So I said to myself I guess it's about time.
I wake up each day so happy to see your face.
I love how you have me in such a peaceful place.
I lay next to my best friend every night.
This feels so good and it feels so right.
I hope that I remember to tell you enough
That I appreciate everything you do so much.
You're a wonderful husband and a wonderful man
And I promise to be the best wife I can.
I love everything that makes you you
And I love all the little things you do.
Like opening doors and rubbing my feet.
Finally I feel like my life is complete.
Every time I'm around you I just can't be still.
You have my heart and you always will.
I married my best friend who makes me laugh.
Who never judges me regarding my past.
He sees me completely and loves the same.
That's why I smile when I sign my last name.
He's patient and forgiving, sweet and he's smart.
Every single day I re-hand him my heart.
He's gentle with it and gives it much care.
And whenever I need him, he's always right there.
So today let me remind you how much I love you.
And how grateful I am for everything you do.

Miss Thang

My Friend The Rose

I've watched you blossom and I've watched you bloom.
I've seen a new inner beauty resonate from you.
You've grown and matured so much in the last three years.
Every time I think about it, it brings me to tears.
I look back at the bad relationships and guys who let you down.
The ones who lied and cheated and said they'd always be around.
You've been raising your son all by yourself.
Feeding him and clothing him without any help.
I've been where you're at. I feel your pain.
After hearing 'mommy' all day you wanna change your name.
You feel frustrated some days tryin to provide.
Feeling so alone, defeated and helpless inside.
Babygirl, I'm so proud of the woman you've become,
Of all the changes you've made and all that you've done.
You've become the parent to him that we never had.
More consistent than either your mom or your dad.
You don't run the streets or hit up the club.
You've held down home and filled it with love,
Supporting not just your son but your family too.
Every time I think about it I'm amazed by you.
As your son gets older he'll look back at what you did,
How you worked full time by yourself while raising a kid.
You never ran out of kisses or pushed him aside.
You picked him up when he fell and held him as he cried.
Everything you do is for the benefit of family,
Trying your best to give him everything he needs.
You're a woman to look up to, one to be proud of,
Proud of what you let go and all that you've done.
You have a house and a home for him to grow up in.
As he gets older he'll look back at all you did.
He'll thank you for your sacrifice.
And when it's time for him to find a wife,
She'll be just like you - just like his mom,
The one who always encouraged him to keep keepin on.
You've rid yourself of all the drama,
Finding your worth in bein his momma.
Close to ten years ago God blessed me with you,
Because he knew all of the things we'd go through.
We met in that chat room back in the day on AOL.

And the friendship we've built only time would tell.
You've been my best friend without any conditions,
Loving me completely without any restrictions.
So my very best friend please allow me to say,
How incredibly proud I am of you every single day.

Miss Thang

My Little Man

My love, my husband, my very best friend
The only man on whom I've been able to depend.
I just wanted to take a minute to tell you thank you
For my son, he's so beautiful and handsome, just like you.
Every time I hold him, each time I see his tiny little hands
I think of his daddy and how much I love that man.
Braelyn, Braelyn, Braelyn, I'm more in love with you each day
and I hope that your daddy knows I'll do whatever it takes.
To love you both with my whole heart and to the best of my ability
your brothers and sisters too (even when they're killin me)
I can't wait to see who you turn out to be like - your daddy or I
And every time I see your smile, I just can't help but cry.
You are amazing, incredible, a blessing I'm so grateful to have.
God has continued to bless the both of us, both me and your dad.
So, coach Allen, Babe, love of my life.
Thank you again for my son...
Love,
Your wife.

Miss Thang

My Love

My love, my love, sweet husband of mine,
You are so strong, and Oh, so fine!
Your eyes - they glisten and glimmer and shine.
You inspire me to spit rhyme after rhyme.
You hold me close in your arms of steel,
as I pinch myself to see if it's real.
You give me love unconditionally,
so patient and forgivingly.
Give me strength mad consistently
Emotionally fulfilling me.
You listen to words I never speak.
You console me when I weep.
All my secrets vowing to keep
His blessing you've sown and reaped.
You pulled me out of a pit I used to dwell in
By bringing me closer to you and closer to Him.
You love me through my pain
Starting by giving me your last name.
You believed in me when I couldn't.
And you loved me when you shouldn't.
I tried to warn you about my love -
but you ignored every push and shove.
As you took my hand and I cried
You asked me to be your wife.
3 years later and 36 months down
A true love and a good man I've finally found.

Miss Thang

My Sister

I'm not sure where or when it happened,
How you and I decided to become friends.
I'm not sure at what point you became
The sister God sent me with the same name.
I don't know when or how, but I do know
That you have been a great comfort to my soul.
You let me cry when I'm sad, upset or scared.
You're always supportive and I know you care.
You don't laugh when I tell you how I feel.
You know the me that I try to conceal.
You are the safe place I know I can go.
And for that I love you more than you know.
You listen when I talk. You don't judge me or fuss
And for that, my sister, I can't thank you enough.
We've exchanged stories about our lives and our past.
It's been so easy because of the connection we have.
We share so many hurts and pains that are the same
I guess that's why God gave us the same name.
Angela, you are my friend and my sister, too.
So, sister, today I say Happy Birthday to you.

Miss Thang

My Superman

As I sit here thinking about you I begin to write
Wondering how I'll feel sleeping alone tonight
I miss you already and I was just there.
Still feeling your gentle hands comb through my hair.
I miss looking up at you, just wanting to kiss you.
It's crazy how even lying next to you, I still miss you.
Your arms fit so perfectly around my waist.
I miss reaching up and stroking your face.
I look into a mirror looking into your eyes,
I can't fight anymore, so why even try.
I love you. I miss you. I need you in my life.
I can't wait for the day you call me your wife.
Hearing the music your soul sings to mine.
Still feeling euphoric, feeling that high.
Holding on to each look, and each moment we share.
Until the next time I open my eyes and you're there.
The connection we share is incredible no doubt.
It really is what other people dream about.
Once rid of the fear, and ego and pride,
Once out of the dark places, we once tried to hide,
Within each other we found a place to feel safe.
I found my Superman just without the cape.

Miss Thang

No Childhood

Grew up too fast
Childhood didn't last
Defiled at the age of 3
Changing my life permanently
Mom wasn't there
Life wasn't fair
Never met my dad
Neglect was all I had
Grew up too fast
Childhood didn't last
16 and pregnant
didn't know what that meant
responsibility aquired
overworked and over tired
child number 2 on the way
just another month - just another day
married and divorced by 23
struggling to find the inner me
trying to identify what love was
yearning to know if I was enough
Searching for my worth in man after man
floating through life waiting to land
3 years later - baby number 3
responsibility was all on me
as life moves on and the clock keeps turnin
days gone by and i'm still yearning
for the childhood i never had
for the chance to meet my dad
into my life walks my superman
claimin if anyone can save me - he can
he sweeps me off my feet
making me complete
i take his last name
and life isn't the same
i thank God for the opportunity
he's given by sending you to me
and as i start to open up and realize
stop hiding and open my eyes
i missed out on my childhood

and though i did the best i could
to be the mom i never had
give my kids my missing dad
and stil i feel inadequately
as i search deeper within me
to find out who i'm supposed to be
sometimes i feel like i have nowhere to give from
the places that were supposed to till me were never done
and so i grasp for an idea of hwo to be
the mom that wasn't modeled for me
I can't play, I can't pretend
scars of the past continuing to mend
i imagine and play how i think a mom should be
but more often than not it doesn't come naturally
nuturing was replaced by survival
when just trying to make it was all
i had the energy to do
and as i'm writing you
i realize that i missed out on my childhood
and i wonder if it's understood
I'm not the parent i want to be
but i'm the best parent that's within me
still making mistakes
but doing what it takes
to be a better mom than i knew
and as i'm writing you
i realize that i missed out on my childhood

Miss Thang

No Glory

I know there's no glory in lovin one woman for the rest of your life
No glory in being married and having a wife
There's no glory in givin up the club to be a father to your child
no glory in goin home to your family instead of out runnin wild
I know there's no glory in doin what's right
comin home on time rather than stayin out late night
So to all my men who ain't getting no glory - I see your sacrifice
And if don't nobody else see - I know how hard it is to live your life right....

Miss Thang

Off Path

You've given me a lot of time to sit and think today.
I realized I've veered off path. I started to stray.
There was a time when you helped me stay strong.
Now I feel I must move on.
You have me distracted and I just can't do that.
I can't wonder what you're doing or where you're at.
I have a mission, a goal, a place I must arrive.
I can't avoid this, and I can't try to hide.
You can't do this with me so I must do it alone.
Although I've tried to fight it, I've always known.
I love you, I do, I honestly do.
But, I can't continuously search for you.
I told you a month ago and meant what I said.
I have to stay focused and follow where I am lead.
So, now I must step back, and get back right with Him.
I took a chance, and stepped out on a limb.
I hoped you would come with me, follow me.
And for a while you did, you followed my lead.
But, then after some time you pulled me off course.
Now, I sit in prayer, full of remorse.
I let things happen that I didn't want to do.
I neglected to follow Him, trying to locate you.
It's not your fault, and you're not to blame.
But, it should have been to Him that I came.
You're distracted by them from the goal we share.
I'm not supposed to be here, I should be there.
There are moments you see it and I love when we're there.
I love the connection and the verses we share.
But, now, I have to return to this goal.
I can't risk failure, and risk my soul.
You know how I feel and you know what I'm saying.
I can't keep chasing you, and I can't keep playing.
God's calling me, and I'm calling you.
So now I know what I must do.
I must return to Him in order to find me.
When you are finally ready, Him you'll seek.
Through Him you'll find me, through Him I'll find you.
But, right now, we just can't keep doing what we do.

Only You, Lord

I come before you outta breath and outta energy
I want so much to do right but I don't know if it's in me
I want to be a good mother and wife
But I wonder if I'll struggle for the rest of my life
Anxiety overcomes me, fear overwhelms me
And lord I'm just askin' you to help me
Help me be the woman you made me to be
Give me the patience, desire, and ability.
Lord, I see how much they all need me
lord in order to make it really need thee.
I need your strength, power and love
The kind that comes only from above.
Lord please restore me, redeem me, give me the strength
When I'm runnin' on empty and I've got nothing left
Show me, guide me take my hand lord
Because without you it's just too hard
I can only turn to you – only you understand
What happens when you depend on fallible man
Disappointment and pain are what is received
Only you will ever truly be there for me.
So I look to you to give me everything I need
Because I know that you'll always be there for me
Standing beside me, holding my hand, showing me the way
Giving me direction, patience, and the right thing to say.
Lord I trust you with everything and give it all to you
Because in my own strength – I know it's all I can do.

Miss Thang

Pain

Maybe you don't know what its like to feel broken,
Always frustrated with prayin and hopin',
All the pain would just go away.
So you can just make through the day.
Do you know how it feels to be afraid?
Of what you're going to do or say?
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Prayer after prayer, hour after hour
Day after day of shedding tears in the shower
"What's wrong? " "Oh nothing, I got soap in my eye"
So you won't roll your eyes when you see me cry.
What do I do? Where do I go from here?
What do I do to let go of the fear?
Most days I combat it fairly well.
I'm able to convince myself
That I'm ok and I'm doing just fine.
But it's the difficulty of sometimes.
That sometimes that tears apart
Every piece of my soul and all of my heart.
Why can't someone just show me how
I can let go of the past and live in the now?
Its hard when the feelings I feel feel wrong.
So I don't speak on them I just move on.
I go to work. Do my thang.
Pick up the kids get to the game.
But I swear sometimes my heart hurts so bad.
Why didn't she love me? Who is my dad?
A curse I passed onto my kids
They suffer from some of the things that I did.
If you haven't been in my shoes you can't understand.
Why it's so hard for me to trust that any man
Will love and accept me, Be kind and respect me.
I think "Why would he? How could he?
I mean after all we're talking about me.
I make things hard in our relationship.
When he's flying high I always manage to hit
And bust his bubble and bring him down.
Take him off the thrown and remove his crown.

I mean really how can he not see?
All of the things that are wrong wit me?
Yeah he's patient now, but give it some time
Before it's too much and he loses his mind.
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I try and I try to make changes for us.
I try not to argue and try not to cuss.
I try to hold down home so he can relax.
But it really doesn't matter when I start to act
Like I 'm mad at him for something he did,
But it's not that at all I just had a fit.
I let go of some fear. I released it out loud,
Instead of thinkin it through before making a sound.
I know it sounds like I'm filled with pity
And that none of this is anything pretty.
But I do see hope. I see the light.
That's why I continue to pray at night.
God shows me the truth and I see past the fear.
And I know in my heart that you'll always be here.
I don't want to feel the way I do.
And I sure don't want take it out on you.
So honey from the depths of my soul,
I'm praying for God to restore me to whole.
So I don't start the fights that make you feel bad.
Or continue the pointless arguments that we have.
So please be patient with me,
As I figure out how to be
The wife and mother I know y'all deserve
And live in today and not in the hurt.

Miss Thang

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Always frustrated with prayin and hopin',
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Miss Thang

Prayer

Last night I laid next to you and said in my prayers,
"God, it's me, Angie, can I talk to you? Are you there?
Lord, thank you for sending me this glorious man.
And please help me to be the best wife I can.
Thank you for his patience with me
Sometimes I know it can't be easy.
He continues to be patient and forgive me too
Even after some of the stupid things I do.
I know he fights demons in his sleep,
So if you can just be with him please
Keep him safe and help him find some peace.
Be with my husband tonight while he sleeps.
It's so important to me that we succeed in this.
It's something I have to MAKE happen, not just wish.
So, whatever it takes, and whatever he needs,
Lord, please help me learn how to be
Trusting and patient, understanding and kind
Not just occasionally, but all of the time.
Teach me how to be more like you
Teach me how to love him more like you do.
Help me to be the things that I'm not
Remind me to appreciate the things that we've got
Not only the things, but the people too
Please keep our focus to be on you.
And Lord, please help me guide our kids and give them love.
And will you please keep an eye on them from up above?
Thank you, Lord, for keeping us safe on our drive.
And thank you for being with our kids, Lord, all five.
I am so grateful for where you've allowed me to be
And all of the joy you've allowed me to see
I'm so far from where I could have wound up
And for that, Lord, I can't thank you enough.
So, tonight as I lay down to sleep next to my best friend
I can't ask for any more than I have. Thank you, Lord, Amen."

Miss Thang

Pride

Pride

Looking head on at a dream you've kept out of reach.
And now you finally have the chance to coach and teach.
I know you're afraid and feel out of control.
But, we both know that in the depth of your soul
There is nothing else that you can possibly do.
That will fulfill you like this fulfills you.
I know you're scared about the next few weeks.
You want to hide and you want to retreat.
This lack of control is hard for you to accept.
You think about money and the job you just left.
You're scared you'll fail and you're scared you'll fail.
You're not sure what this whole thing entails.
Know that God's given you everything you need.
And if not in yourself, then in Him believe.
And you have every tool you'll need to succeed.
He put you in a position to influence and lead.
Remember that I believe in you and so does He.
And that this is exactly where you're supposed to be.
You wanted it; we prayed about it; it's finally here.
This opportunity you've received to teach your first year.
You'll make a difference in the lives of these kids.
And you'll be so glad you did what you did.
You'll see it in the faces of your kids and players.
And you'll finally know exactly why you're there.
They'll come back 20 years from now
Asking, 'Do you have any idea how
Much you've changed my life or what a difference you made?
How much it meant to me all the time that you gave?
You're my hero and I've looked up to you for years'
And when they look down you'll notice the tears.
You'll know then that you found your calling.
And that after that ten years of stalling.
You did the right thing and made the right choice.
Finally listening to that inner voice.
The one that said 'This is what you're supposed to do!
Go ahead! Make that change. These kids need you.'

Miss Thang

Rain

I've faced a world of rain and you're my sunshine
I know that my pain makes it hard sometimes.
My fears cause me to act like a jerk
and you feel unappreciated after all your hard work.
Its hard to express what I really feel
Because I'm scared it'll be too real
You'll get tired of seeing me cry
You'll throw up your hands and let out a sigh
Sayin, "I quit! That's enough! I'm done! "
You'll throw me the deuce and say "Holla! One! "
So please know I'm not trying to hurt you.
With some of the things I say and do
Sometime I just get scared or overwhelmed
Or sometimes I just get consumed with myself
I want to be a good wife and mom too
Sometimes I just get frustrated when I can't do
All the things I know you deserve
When I'm consumed with pain and hurt
I know you do your best to understand
And sometimes you have to admit you're human
And it does get irritating and it does get old
I understand everything you way and what I've been told.

Miss Thang

Serenity

You once asked me if I could have anything what would it be?
I looked into your eyes, took a deep breath, and said, "Serenity."
In the past year you have changed my life.
I found that peace of mind when you made me your wife.
Because of you, my whole life has changed.
A new home, new family, and a new last name.
You've shown me the meaning of true love.
And have proven yourself no matter what I've done.
It's been a year – three hundred and sixty five days.
And day after day I continue to be amazed.
Amazed by your love and patience and trust.
I never knew I could love anyone this much.
So, today on this the fourteenth of June two thousand and seven.
I know that God sent you straight down from heaven.
He molded you and created you specifically for me.
To show me how beautiful real love can be.
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY.

Miss Thang

Spent

Lord,

Once again I come to you for comfort humbly on bended knees

Begging you to help me be the wife I'm supposed to be.

Lord, I can't do this by myself, I just don't have the strength.

Like a rope on a cliff, I'm all outta length.

I can't stand up without looking down

Like I'm in a rapid river right about to drown.

I look to you to hold my head above water

So I can be there for my son and my daughters

I'm trying to breath, and can't seem to catch my breath.

But I've given all that I've got, I have nothing left.

Lord, strengthen me, help me ot weather this storm.

Hold me close to you, Lord, please keep me warm.

I feel so cold, so all alone

In this house full of people

In my once happy home.

My head hangs down

My heart is heavy

About to overwhelm

My emotional levy

Lord I lie before you humble completely

Asking you to please fulfill and complete me.

Held up only by your hand

As I am once again disappointed in man

My body aches and my heart lies hidden

Longing to break through that finish line ribbon

Lord make me the person I don't think I can be

Someone I respect when in the mirror I see

Allow me to release all the things that I can
And to not depend so much on fallible man

Fill my heart with patience and gratitude
As I continue to call out to you

Give me the strength and stamina too
To do all the things I'm required to do.

Lord, lord, lord, look into my heart
Please fix and mend all my broken parts

Uplift me teach me show me how to be
The best wife and mother that I can possibly be

Teach me patience give me strength
Hold my hand when I've got nothing left

My heart, my soul and my life belong to you
And I'm willing to do whatever you tell me to

But lord, please help me, I can't do it alone
Maintain my sanity, please keep up my home

You are my hope, my strength, and everything I am
You are the reason I haven't quit, and I'm able to stand

Lord bless me, comfort me, carry me too
Along with my prayers, lord, I bring them to you

Give me hope when I'm hopeless
Strengthen me when I'm weak
Hug me and hold me, wipe my tears when I weep.

I will stand up and stand strong
even when I think I can't, I vow to go on

but only you lord can give me what I need to maintain
all this I ask you lord, in your son Jesus' name.

Amen



Miss Thang

Stronger With Each Tear

I grow stronger with each tear.
I grow bolder with each fear.
As I continue to move forward not looking back on the past
I finally begin to see where my worth is at.
As I release expectations and begin to forgive
Now, and only now, do I really begin to live.
As I allow my self to unlock the secrets and shame within
I am reminded of how I can inspire other women.
I was told you'd have eyes in the back of your head
if you were supposed to look back and reflect
On bad choices and moments of shame.
Because God forgives each sin, each person, the same.
If God can love you despite your flaws
Why do you refuse and continue to pause?
So, girl, you gotta let it go!
Let go of all the pain and the suffering
I know you've been through almost everything!
You hold on so tight
And it keeps you up at night
Or maybe you sleep it away
So you don't suffer through the day.
But, baby, hear me when I say
That He loves you anyway.
He'll hold you when you're afraid.
Lift you up through another day.
But you gotta let Him in!
And you gotta trust in Him.
I know you feel unloved and alone
With only you and the kids at home.
You wonder why does this always happen to me
And I gotta be honest with you, baby.
You don't love yourself
So you won't let Him help.
You look in the mirror and all you see
Is the reflection of the woman you don't want to be.
So it's time to change.
Its time to say
I won't be held down no mo'
And I'm walkin out that do'

Into a new today
Into a brand new way.
I know I don't know how and
I don't know where I'm gonna go
But I'm gonna trust him
Yes, I'm gonna trust him.
So, Jesus take my hand.
I'm ready to leave this land.
Land of pain and misery
I want peace and prosperity
And I'll make the change
And I'll take your hand
Jesus lead the way
I'm ready when you say.
I'm gonna move on
And I'm gonna be strong.
Jesus take my hand
And Jesus lead the way.
Lord take my life
I give it to you today.

Miss Thang

Superman

As I sit here thinking about you I begin to write
Wondering how I'll feel sleeping alone tonight
I miss you already and I was just there.
Still feeling your gentle hands comb through my hair.
I miss looking up at you, just wanting to kiss you.
It's crazy how even lying next to you, I can still miss you.
Your arms fit so perfectly around my waist.
I miss reaching up and stroking your face.
I look into a mirror looking into your eyes,
I can't fight anymore, so why even try.
I love you. I miss you. I need you in my life.
I can't wait for the day you call me your wife.
Hearing the music your soul sings for mine.
Still feeling euphoric, feeling that high.
Holding on to each look, and each moment we share,
Until the next time I open my eyes and you're there.
The connection we share is incredible no doubt.
It really is what other people dream about.
Once rid of the fear, and ego and pride,
Once out of the dark places, we once tried to hide,
Within each other we found a place to feel safe.
I found my Superman just without the cape.

Miss Thang

Take Care Of Me

I can no longer let you make my decisions for me.
I've got to know, and I've got to believe
That I have the power to control my life.
That have the will to put up a fight
Even when it's not something easy.
Even when it makes my stomach queasy.
For the first time I have to step away now.
Sometime you look back and just wonder how
You got into a situation and let that stuff ride.
I can't do that. I gotta take my own side.
I gotta make the choice that's best for me.
I gotta do what I gotta do and be what I gotta be.
I can't sit up here and wonder when you'll act right.
I can't sit up here checkin on you every night.
I've spent my whole life putting them before me
I never am able to just get up and leave.
Even when I'm hurt even when he's wrong
I just can't get through it and move on.
I understand why they do the things do
That's why when push comes to shove – it's you.
You have my heart, I can't lie.
I gotta say goodbye.
Goodbye to the drama
Goodbye to the hurt..
Maybe one day you'll see my worth.
Right now you just can't.
I can't even be mad.
Just gotta keep goin, doin what I do
Keep my head, despite you.

Miss Thang

Teach Me How To Trust

Teach Me

Teach me how to trust.
Teach me how to let go of it all.
Teach me how to feel safe.
Teach me how to trust that you'll come when I call.

You know most of my life's been built on abuse and neglect
And the rest has been filled with guilt and regret.

I find it hard to believe that I can be loved.
That I can be yours only and still be enough.

I want to change, learn how to relax
In spite of the fear or how others act.

Teach me how to find a place full of serenity
One that I know will always be you and me.

Teach me how to trust.
Teach me how to let down my wall.
Teach me to close my eyes
And trust you'll catch me when I fall.

Teach me how to believe that you'll always want me
That you'll never leave and will never stop loving me.

Help me to find what I've never known
The white picket fence around a happy home.

Please be patient with me
I know it can be difficult
When my insecurities and fear
Hide behind the pain I've felt.

I want to love you with all of me
I want to share with you every ounce of me.

I'll give you all that I have

And love you the best way I can
I promise you all that I am
And vow to be your #1 fan.

Just hold me and when I'm scared
Reassure me when I'm afraid
That you'll still love me
And be here at the end of the day

That today tomorrow and forever more
A life together is what is in store.

Miss Thang

The Father I Wish I Had

You're the father I always wished I'd had
You're just like the man I wanted to call dad
You are filled with patience energy and love
You give our kids a reason to trust.
You are affectionate yet firm, strong yet understanding.
You represent everything I know our kids can be
When the kids grow up and become who they are
When we've raised a politician, a doctor, and a football star,
All your hard work will have paid off.
And all our sacrifices will be worth the cost.
So today, on this, our first fathers day
My husband I really must say
That you're the greatest dad I know
And I am so excited to watch our kids grow
And maybe if we pray and if we're lucky they'll be
As perfect for their spouse as you are for me.

Miss Thang

Trust

No apologies are necessary for expressing what you thought.
I'm here for you whether it's uncomfortable or not.
I'll always listen without judgment or making it about me.
Don't ever doubt that I care how you feel and what you need.
I know sometimes the things that go through our mind
Are hard to feel and express sometimes.
I know that being vulnerable and open isn't easy to do.
You wonder if I'll be hurt or mad at you.
But, baby the thing I need you to understand
Is that I've never asked you to be more than human.
You have feelings and you have fears too
I would never ask you to pretend not to be you.
There's nothing you can do and nothing you can say
That will ever make me leave you or make me go away.
I am your wife. Not a chick or a fling.
You got me for life when you gave me this ring.
This ring represents an unbreakable bond.
One that's forever present and eternally strong.
So, please no matter what you do
Don't be afraid of what I'll say or do.
All you'll hear and all you'll feel
Is me saying I love you and it being real.
You are my husband and my very best friend.
You don't have to hide and you don't have to pretend.
Be you. Don't be afraid to let me in on how you think.
I know you're scared and your stomach starts to sink.
But, I understand a lot more than you think I might.
And regardless of what you say, I'll be there tonight.
Holding you close and whispering in your ear:
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And regardless of what you say, I'll be there tonight.
Holding you close and whispering in your ear:
"Husband, I love you, and I'll be right here."

Miss Thang

Unmatrimonial Beds

Baby girl you're not meant to do it by yourself
You're meant to have a man to give you some help
But, you give yourself to him without a commitment
And you wonder why he's not there to kick it with
Our children need a mom and a dad
Not an apology or a 'my bad'
It's time for both sides to step up to the plate
before they're too old and it's too late.
Without any guidance without any wisdom
How can we expect anything else from them?
They do what we teach them, they do what they see.
So, if they mock your actions, what do you expect them to be?
Generations of bad choices and whispering voices
Telling them they'll never be what the other boy is.
So, he grows up believing he's not enough.
Fighting all the time tryin to prove that he's tough.
desperate for attention - she didn't get it at home
And they callin her fast sayin she's a ho.
But, she, just like he, is just incomplete.
And all they know to do is to retreat.
Retreat to the drama to the places they know.
Devoid of dreams and absent of hope.
So, teach them the right way to live thier live
How to be a husband, how to be a wife.
God didn't mean for us to be alone
But he also didn't mean for us to call sin home.
Hoppin in and outta unmatrimonial beds
goes against everything He's ever said.
So, change your ways and change your life
Stop doin what's easy, and start doin what' right.

Miss Thang

Unworthy

Feeling unworthy day after day
I'm reminded of God's patient grace
I try to accept love, and acceptance too
But it is something I don't know how to do
I don't feel deserving and don't understand why
Anyone could love me or even want to try
I try to remember that I'm freed from my past
But the feeling of forgiveness and peace rarely last
It's not that I want to feel this way or enjoy it either
But it's what comes naturally like flu and a fever
I look back on mistakes that I've made
How they affect me now even though I'm saved.
I wish I could erase all the things I've done
Take the bullets out of my emotional gun.
I look to my husband and just can't seem to see
Why a man like him could love someone like me.
Imperfect and tainted, bruised and broken
Trying to move past the pain, learn to be open.
Guarded and cautious, expecting the worse
Trying to accept love from this man, the first
To ever see me the way I want to be.
The first man to ever really love me.
I can't seem to understand and can't seem to see
Why God loves me enough to keep blessing me.
I don't deserve it and don't claim to come close
To fulfilling his purpose for me, I guess I just hope
That someday I will be the woman he created
Before all the innocence and security faded.
I know she's in there fighting to get out
She just doesn't know the way – doesn't know how.
So, I ask you tonight, Lord, in the midst of my tears
Can you please help me? My prayers can you hear?
I want to feel loved and worthy too.
I want to be the woman created by you.
Not the one abused, changed by the sins of man
I want to be the best complete woman I can.
But I can't do this without you, I need your help.
I've come to accept that I can't do this myself.
So, Lord, I ask you to please grant me peace.

That surpasses understanding and relieves my grief.
Please help me to see myself as deserving of joy and love.
And help me to believe that I am more than enough.
I don't have to be anyone else.
Convince me who I am is truly myself.
Remind me that I don't have to compare myself to anyone else.
And that as long as I continue to ask, you'll continue to help.
Help me to find serenity in who I am today as I am
And even in my imperfections, I'm a beautiful woman.
You made me, you formed me, you created me too
In your image, and just like you
So, I must be beautiful, I must be good.
I must be wonderful, that's understood.
As your daughter I can only and always be loved
Demonstrated by the sacrifice your only son.

Miss Thang

We'Re Fine

I've heard you ask more than once
If I'm happy and if you're enough.
I feel your fear that I'll quit on us.
But, honey, I really need your trust.
I'm not going to leave you and I won't stray
I won't lie or deceive you and I won't walk away.
I love you and our family more than I can express
And I promise you my love will pass any test
Every night before we go to sleep I drop to my knees
And ask him to help me be everything you need.
So honey, rest your soul and put your mind at ease
Know that I believe in you and need you to trust me
I don't know exactly how to tell you
How much I am in love with you
You ask if I'm happy with you and us
I feel like some part of you doesn't think you're enough.
You have expressed to me that you keep waiting.
And some little part of you is anticipating
Me to tell you I'm not happy and I want out.
But baby, I love you, completely and without a doubt
You are my best friend and my soul mate
God sent you to me to fulfil my fate
There won't come a day and there won't be a way
I'll ever leave you or you'll hear me say
I don't love you and I don't want to stay.
I wish I had the words to reassure you
How happy I am and how much I love you.
I know sometimes I'm moody and not very nice.
I know sometimes I trip and I know it's not right.
But hon, I love you and love our family.
I never knew that this how love can be.
Sometimes I just get overwhelmed by the day to day
But understand I just want to make you happy.
Honey I'm so happy with you and with us
And trust me when I tell you you're more than enough.
Sometimes I just have so much to do
And I just want to make things easier for you.
Honey sometimes I just get overwhelmed
Trying to do everything by myself.

I know you have a lot on your plate
And day after day I try to pull my weight.
Sometimes I just try to do too much
And I feel guilty when I can't do enough.
I don't know how to ask you for help
And I get overwhelmed when I try to do it myself.
Don't mistake my frustration for discontent
Because that's not the case and that's not what I meant.
I just want to support you as best I can
But because of my pride and the woman I am
I find it difficult to ask you for help.
I want to be able to everything my self.

Miss Thang

What Am I Supposed To Do

Tell me what I'm supposed to do.
If you're me and I'm you.
I understand everything you do.
The things you won't say that I already knew.
What am I supposed to do when you're all I know.
How am I supposed to let this stuff go?
How am I supposed to move past the pain
When I still want your last name.
The things you do I understand.
I understand you're still a man.
I try to make excuses, reasons and such
But, to keep it real, it just hurts too much.
You don't know what to do, how to feel.
All I'm asking is you keep it real.
Stop half steppin and playin games.
I can leave the same way I came.
I just don't want to - that's not the plan.
I don't want any other man.
I want you. I want us. I want this to work.
I just don't know what to do with the hurt.
There's no sight of any change.
What if things stay the same?
I refuse to go through all this stuff again.
I've done that with 3 previous men.
Waited for them to change - appreciate me.
It seems that doesn't happen until I leave.
So, what now? What do we do?
If you love me, and I love you
Why is this so hard? Why do we fight?
Why do you disappear at night?
You won't be without me and be alone.
As I spend late nights leaving messages on your phone
What do I do? What do I say?
I'm too old for games, too old to play.
The only option I see is walking away.
You'll never change if I continue to stay.
If you have nothing to lose you'll risk my loss.
You'll take care of you regardless the cost.
I haven't seen, touched, or humored another.

I even introduced you to my mother.
My mom, man, that stuff is real
But, I need to know the deal.
Be real or roll that's what you said.
Now you playin games wit my head.
I've been nothin but real with you.
As you've continued to do what you do.
You were the one that asked me for my heart.
Now you have it and you're tearin it apart.
What do you want me to do?
Just sit back and be hurt by you?
Today you shut down. You wouldn't engage.
Filled with hurt and filled with rage.
You did the thing you asked me not to.
It hurts me when you shut off, too.
There's only one more thing I can ask you for.
If you can't love me right let me walk out the door.
No empty promises, no selfish lies.
Let me stop hurting and say goodbye.
I told you I wasn't ready, you said you were.
And yet, somehow, I'm still sharing you with her.
I konw you don't want to hurt me. I know you don't.
I keep asking for change, and you just won't.
So, please, please do this thing for me.
If you can't make me happy let me leave.
Don't keep me around and keep hurting me.
Don't tell lies expecting me to believe.
You know better, I'm not that dumb.
This stuff really hurts, it isn't fun.
I know you don't want to be without me.
I know that right next to me is where you wanna be.
But, I can't, I won't keep questioning myself.
I can't allow you to put my heart on a shelf.

Miss Thang

Where's My Dad?

Growing up without a dad wasn't so bad.
I mean, You can't miss what you never had.
It wasn't until I got a little older
That I felt that soft tap on my shoulder.
That had me looking back on the past
Wondering where my dad was at.
I see my husband with our kids and I
Sometimes blink so that I won't cry.
As I begin to realize
And start to ask why
I never had a dad to hold my hand
To show me what it's like to trust a man
To wlk me to school or yell at my games
I'm left incomplete without even his name
I see my daughters with their dad
And start to recognize what I never had
Wondering what he might be like
If his name is Tom, Bobby, Dennis or Mike
Do I look like him?
 Would he recognize me?
I wonder if I have his eyes
 Or maybe I have his teeth.
What would it have been like to have him around
I wonder what he'd think of me now
I wonder if I'd make him proud
Would he tell me im beautiful and smart?
For his empty mantelpiece I'm his work of art?
Daddy I've missed you all these years
I've thought about you and shed some tears.
I wish I could have known you
Had you there to tell me what to do
Daddy I wish you were there to hold me
Keep me close, maybe console me.
I wish you had been there to protect me
Hug me kiss me and never reject me.
I know you didn't know that I longed for you
And maybe you would have found me if you knew
I wonder how it feels to be held in daddy's arms
Where I could feel safe and far from harm

To have you give me away on my wedding day
With all the words of wisdom I'd hear you say
I missed you on graduation day too
I looked into the stands but didn't see you
I missed you when my children were born
I keep looking, waiting for you to walk through that door
But you didn't come because you never knew
And Daddy, wherever you are – just know I love you.

Miss Thang

Who Will Cry

Who will cry for the little girl? The one beneath the mask.
Who will cry for the little girl? The one too scared to ask.
Who will cry for the little girl? The one who hides within herself.
Who will cry for the little girl? Too scared to ask for help.
Who will cry for the little girl? Trying hard to be strong.
Who will cry for the little girl? Who's been alone for too long.
Who will cry for the little girl? Who lives despite the pain.
Who will cry for the little girl? Consumed by all the shame.
I will cry for the little girl who lives inside of me.
So I can let go of what once was and let go of what used to be.

Miss Thang

Why I Love Your Son

I love him because he loved me enough to let me go.
He loved me enough to allow me to grow.
I love him because he first loved me
He wasn't selfish; he let me leave.
I love him because he saw me how I wish I were
I love him because he saw through the pain and the hurt
He saw the woman I wanted to become.
He knew from the beginning I was the one.
He loved me without question, without limits or rules
He allowed me room to do what I needed to do.
I know he loves me because he told me the truth
As uncomfortable as it was, he did what I asked him to.
He wants to be the one to set me free
To show me what love is meant to be.
He holds me when I'm sad, wipes my tears when I cry
But allowed me the opportunity to say goodbye.
He let me take care of me and help me heal
That's how I know his love is real.
I asked him to do the one thing that was hardest for him.
I asked him to watch me leave him until my process was done.
He didn't object as much as I know he wanted to,
He said, "Baby, I understand, you gotta do you"
If actions speak louder than words, he screams "I love you! ",
I know the realness and honesty is something new.
I can't explain how much alike we are.
I swear it must have been written in the stars.
I am him, and he is me, we're one in the same.
That's why your son wants to give me his last name.

Miss Thang

You Saved Me

You held me in your arms as we danced around the room
As I cried on your chest - thanking God for you.
My mind raced through the years of neglect and pain
That have all been erased since you gave me your last name.
Your loved pulled me out of the dark.
Your patience healed my broken heart.
You saved me.
Brought me from darkness to light.
You saved me.
Brought me from blindness to sight.
Your love made everything wrong alright.
You saved me.

Miss Thang

Your Pride

Pride

Looking head on at a dream you've kept out of reach.
And now you finally have the chance to coach and teach.
I know you're afraid and feel out of control.
But, we both know that in the depth of your soul
There is nothing else that you can possibly do.
That will fulfill you like this fulfills you.
I know you're scared about the next few weeks.
You want to hide and you want to retreat.
This lack of control is hard for you to accept.
You think about money and the job you just left.
You're scared you'll fail and you're scared you'll fail.
You're not sure what this whole thing entails.
Know that God's given you everything you need.
And if not in yourself, then in Him believe.
And you have every tool you'll need to succeed.
He put you in a position to influence and lead.
Remember that I believe in you and so does He.
And that this is exactly where you're supposed to be.
You wanted it; we prayed about it; it's finally here.
This opportunity you've received to teach your first year.
You'll make a difference in the lives of these kids.
And you'll be so glad you did what you did.
You'll see it in the faces of your kids and players.
And you'll finally know exactly why you're there.
They'll come back 20 years from now
Asking, 'Do you have any idea how
Much you've changed my life or what a difference you made?
How much it meant to me all the time that you gave?
You're my hero and I've looked up to you for years'
And when they look down you'll notice the tears.
You'll know then that you found your calling.
And that after that ten years of stalling.
You did the right thing and made the right choice.
Finally listening to that inner voice.
The one that said 'This is what you're supposed to do!
Go ahead! Make that change. These kids need you.'

Miss Thang