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I was born Raymond Reginald Wilkey Isaacs in the city Upington, South Africa. I grew up in a rural village called Dibeng in the Northern Cape. I spent practically my whole life there.

I started school at Dibeng Primary school in 2004 and I graduated from primary school the year 2010. Later on I went to Gamagara Highschool, which is also in Dibeng and I graduated in 2015, with a distinction in English First Additional Language.

I was at Kathu NCR TVET College and I completed my N2 in Electrical Engineering in April 2016 with distinctions in Engineering Science, Industrial Electronics and Mathematics. I also completed my N3 in Electrical Engineering at the same college.

I am currently studying at the University of the Free State and doing my bachelor's in Education.

Yeah, that is my life.

A Taste Of Love

My first encounter with love
Was an experience impossible to forget.
It felt as if the world stood still
On the day that we met...
Angels fell out of heaven
And all the evil left.
Love conquered all my doubts
And thereafter I did not believe anymore in death.

I felt like a kid
Running around in a candy store.
With each taste of your lips
I just wanted more.
I can't find the words to explain
How much of you I adore.
This feelings I have for you
I never had for someone before.

I can't explain my sweaty hands
And the fast beating of my heart.
All that I know is that
I would die if we were apart.
I thought that I could never love
But you taught me that art.
I know that I am not Eros
But when it comes to your heart I'm the God.

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Do You Feel The Same?

So this is how you see me?
Nothing more than a friend.
So this is how we'll be?
Please make me understand.
I thought I made it clear
How I feel about you.
But I guess
You'll never feel the same.

I made you laugh
When your man wasn't there.
I listened attentively
When you had something to share.
I gave you joy
When I saw you were in pain.
But I guess
You'll never feel the same.

I tried to distance myself
To keep me from falling too hard.
I have pained myself
By trying to drive us apart.
So now I'm done putting up a show
Done trying to prove my love in vain.
Because I know
You will never feel the same...

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Give Me A Chance

You look like you're lost
in a world filled with confusion.
Your eyes tell a story
that your lips could never reveal.
You are putting up a front
whilst hiding heartache and pain.
Afraid of putting your trust in another,
Afraid of being targeted by Cupid again.
But I'm here
offering a helping hand.
I know you're scared,
Cause time after time you were hurt.
Time after time treated like dirt.
But I'm willing to dry you tears.
Willing to help you conquer your fears.
All you have to do is say yes
and put your trust in my hands.
What I'm asking for is simple:
Just one chance...

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Have You Ever?

Had you ever fell in love
And there was no one to catch you?
Ever got lost in her eyes
And she didn't come back to fetch you?
Had she ever left you feeling numb
And hopelessly still like a statue?
Ever imprinted her in your thoughts
And can't be removed like a tattoo?
Have you ever opened your heart to her
But still she doesn't get you?
Do you still find her as attractive
As the day that she met you?
Have you ever gave up everything
And she turn around and stab you?
Just like she gives you joy one moment
And the next she just forget you?
Have you ever given up someone else for her
But she always neglect you?
Always put a smile on her face
But she just doesn't accept you?
Have you ever been her guarding angel
But when you need her she doesn't back you?
And did you ever want give up on her
But your love for her just wouldn't let you? ? ?

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I Won't Cry

I won't cry
Even though I am broken and sad.
I won't cry
Even though I gave you all I had.
I won't cry
Even if I'm numb and my body's dead.
I won't cry
Although I'm filled with sorrow and regret.

I won't cry
Although the tears are shallow in my eyes.
I won't cry
To take responsibility for your cheating and lies.
I won't cry
And please don't act as if you're surprised.
Don't ask why
Because what we had, never sufficed.

I'm giving up
There won't be one last try.
I'm giving up
Let's just say goodbye.
And if you wonder
I am more than fine.
As long as you remember
I promise I won't cry.

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Is It Too Late?

Is it too late to say I'm sorry?
Is it too late to say I care?
Is it too late to show you
That I want to be there?
Is it too late to remind you
Of what we could've been?
Is it too late to demonstrate
What true love really means?
Maybe its too late to speak up
And tell you what I feel.
But it can't be too late
To prove that my love for you is real.
I thought I could just let you go
And everything would be great.
I thought it could be fun
To hear the sound of your heart break.
Now I'm filled with regret
But could this be my fate?
Now please be honest with me
And tell me am I too late?

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It Must've Been A Dream

I thought I've seen it all
From beginning till the end.
As the dawn of night falls
I saw us walking hand-in-hand.
Now I'm here waiting for your call
And wondering where we stand.
Why do I see this huge wall?
And where did our love went?

It felt like it was just yesterday
When you told me I was the one.
Now I feel like I'm cast away
And I think that I am done.
I guess I could try, but you won't stay
Because your heart could never be won.
You and I could've been together today
But maybe tomorrow we won't see the sun.

I'm fighting a battle that I won't win
Of that I can be sure.
You offered a shoulder for me to lean
on, and with a smile I was lured.
I had a sick heart and you were keen
When you said you had it's cure.
I guess it must've all been a dream
Reality is filthy but my dreams are pure...

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Life Of A Teenager In Dibeng

As I walk through life
trying to survive,
but there's a knife
hanging above my head.
I witness a man and his wife
at their home they arrive,
their kids are approximately five

and are begging for bread.
Oh streets of Dibeng
almal van ons ken
your name means first
drinking place.
But we are witnessing the end
of families that are broken, not just bent
and still fighting for a bit of
money for maize.
My family might be torned apart,
but deep in my heart
I believe we will rise.
I always believed from the start
that life in Dibeng may be hard
but the truth will overcome the lies.
If we just give a little and expect nothing in return,
then truely I know.
Life would be back to normal while we're standing firm,
and again the Gamagara River will flow...
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Love Is In The Air

While I'm walking down the street
The smell of love hangs in the air.
Couples holding hands
Are to be found everywhere.
Laughing hugging and kisses
As I'm forced just to stare.
Because my other half
Whom I never met wasn't there.
So I just walked on
And pretended I didn't care.
But deep down my heart
I felt the loneliness and despair.
Everyone looked so happy
Which just wasn't fair.
It was like every one was walking
And I'm stuck in a wheelchair.
But then I saw her
As if she appeared out of nowhere.
It was like she's this angel
Who would wake me from this nightmare.
I wanted to approach her
But she already had someone elsewhere.
I guess my nose was blocked
While love was in the air...

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Memory Lane

Yeah I saw her again
And it all came back.
The meetings, our talks,
Even the little arguments we had.
Her hugs, her kisses,
And the stupid things I said.
I miss the sound of her voice
And the silky touch of her skin.
The smell of her hair
As it blew in the wind.
I thought I was over her
But I guess I was wrong.
I miss her now more than ever.
Why did I ever let her go?
Now she probably will never know.
Flashbacks constantly remind me
Of just how much I lost.
She was more than just a girl
That brought me love and pain.
I wish I could go back and change it all,
But I'm trapped travelling memory lane...

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Miss Me When I'm Gone

It kills me that you have someone
And still act as if nothing is wrong.
Me standing in as his clone
When the distance between you gets too long.
Here I am trying to hold on
And pretending to be strong.
When you just could have told me
That in his arms is where you belong.

So I still held onto you
Even though I was second best.
In the army of your men
I blended in with the rest.
So I thought if I'd stand out
I would have passed the test.
Guess I was wrong
I'm nothing special or blessed

I was always there
When you needed a shoulder to cry on.
I promised to care
If you needed someone to rely on.
It was in a dream world
That I imagined you as my own.
But I'm telling you now
You will miss me when I'm gone...

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Nothing....

Its night again and I'm scared.
With a heavy heart I must go to bed.
As usual she is running through my head.
I am numb
and I feel nothing, nothing, nothing.

I'm missing her and I can't stand the pain.
Its killing me because she doesn't feel the same.
I try to shut her out, but the fact still remain
she is in love with another.
And to her I am nothing, nothing, nothing.

I never thought I would fall this hard.
With no one catching me, I pick up the broken pieces of my heart.
I knew it couldn't work and I still tried, but
without her life cease to exist
and I am nothing, nothing, nothing...

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One Step At A Time

Take one step at a time
and don't settle for anything less.
Use the power of your mind
to your full advantage to reach success.

Search deep inside to find
the inner you that brings out the best
achiever, victor and conquerer there is.
He, who will reach success by only climbing the stairs.

Take one step at a time
And not the easy way out.
In the path of life
You will have to overcome your doubt.

Failures you will have to face,
But that is what life is about.
And whenever an opportunity presents itself
Remember its just one chance so you should go all-out.

Take one step at a time
Don't be hasty to get things done.
Remember to live your life right
Because you only have one.
And whenever you are trapped in darkness
Just look up and you'll see the sun.
And by just taking one step towards your future
Know that the battle you fight is already won...

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So We're Lost?

When I needed you
You weren't there.
I tried to reach out
But you couldn't care.
Tell me
Do you think it is fair?
That I'm trying
But we're going nowhere...

You're supposedly my oxygen
But you're squeezing out my air.
Alone on this queen sized bed
Which we used to share.
I'm asking you
If what you're doing is fair?
Because although I'm trying
We are still going nowhere.

When we met, you were a diamond:
Harder than rock, but still so rare.
Young, wild and free
With the wind blowing through your hair.
But as time went by
Your love vanished into thin air.
We're running on a treadmill.
Going fast, but heading nowhere.

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Some Time Alone

o just let me re-walk
As I take you back on the path of my life.
Good talk and evil re-talk
Arguing like a rapper praising a mic.
From a sponge to a rock
Yeah I know what the changes is like.
Wide smiles to faces of shock
Emotions changing like gears on a bike.
Took that journey alone
As I greeted the rays of the dawn.
I stepped into the unknown
And forgot the place where I was from.
Searched left and right for a home
Chasing a ghost like a dog after a bone.
But all along I did belong
Only my home was still unknown...

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The Greatest Danger Is Love

I have stared into the eyes of death.
I have witnessed its wrath.
I have seen its destruction
Leaving nothing behind in its path.

I came eye-to-eye with evil
And I have faced its rage.
I was trapped in the claws of fear
Like a mouse with a cat in a cage.

I have been in the most cruelest battles
I have the scars as proof.
I lived like a veteran in war
Even though I'm just an innocent youth.

I have walked on cold-hard thorns
The path I have covered was rough.
But through all these experiences
The greatest danger was love....

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The Replacement Lover

I never minded when you woke me up
with your midnight calls.
Looking for a little laughter
when I could hear your tears fall.
I could hear you trying not to care
even though your silence said it all.
You tried to hide your heartache
But I could see it through your heart's walls.

He abused you but even then
You tried to defend him.
You're scared to open up your heart
feeling you might offend him.
Although you try,
you struggle to understand him.
I'm always here
It would be better if you'd just end him.

I am the one who's there
Whenever he makes you cry.
I am the one who tells the truth
While you are busy covering up his lies.
Why do you have to carry on like this
When all you have to do is say goodbye.
And what kills me is
Why should I be the other guy? ! ?

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There She Goes

There she goes
Without a single care in the world.
Walking tall and not noticing me
standing behind her, watching her.
Trying to get her attention,
But she simply does not mind.
There she goes
Smiling a smile I haven't had in years.
Leaving me behind drying my tears.
How can I possibly convince her,
How can I possibly make her see.
Even though I'm just another man
Nothing special, living an ordinary life.
I so badly want to make her a wife.
There she goes
On a journey where I already know
her destination.
She's leaving and I can't make her come back,
Because her heart belongs to another.
And I so desperately want her to notice.
Deep inside my heart I pray that she knows
I love her, but yet again there she goes...

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Train Of Pain

I'm staring at the path
And deep inside me I'm hollow.
If I decide to leave
Girl tell me will you follow?
I want to know
If we'll be together tomorrow.
And if that won't be
I'll accept it, its a hard pill to swallow.
I'm packed and ready to go
And promise to not look back.
When you told me you'll stay
It felt you hit my face with a smack.
I couldn't explain the pain I felt
Because I was having a love attack.
So alone and deserted
I feel like my future is black.
With your photograph in my hand
I boarded the train.
Images flashes past me
But I'm too blinded by this pain.
And when I reached my destination
My sunshine was clouded by the rain.
I had a vision of us together
Well what the hell, it was all in vain...

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