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PAGES FROM A HOSTAGE



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1) HOW AND WHY

THE STARTING QUESTION

Close your eyes, lay down and tell me how my own life has taken roots, has grown in time. Look at me and tell me the truth for the first time, I deserve an answer now.

SANDS OF TIME

When I close my eyes, I can remember how it started, how it all began. My mind is my enemy, my weakness. But sometimes I feel sane again, truly part of a beautiful scheme, where I can have my little box.

I used to feel so easy, like a fish swimming in the trees. I used to feel I was really free, dancing in the colorful cage He built for me.

And here begins my fairy tale, through the scattered images of my life; through my heart sealed and glued by the debris of a distorted mind.



ONCE UPON A TIME

Captain All is ready, all is prepared: the room, the nurse, the doctor. It will be a natural birth. Personal confirm: it's probably a boy.

> My faithful God, I hope it's a boy. I dream I'll love, I'll raise him, teach him to survive in this war. Life's a war! Life's a holy war!

And I know it very well: the Army taught me how to survive, how to rule. It's time to pass the skills on.

He'll be a good soldier, I know. He'll be a good captain, as his father, or maybe more... or maybe more! Could it be more than me? Could it be more?

FEMALE TERROR

Captain

Suddenly a cry. His first war cry. I am scared. If it's a girl... I can't bear it, the idea of girl. The possibility is horrifying. The Nurse is getting near with a bundle...



THE ONE LEFT BEHIND THEY'RE ALL WRONG (77.35 K)

FAIRY TALE

Brother?

(your) Life is gonna be a blinding light, the scent of love: emotion. (your) Life is gonna be air in the lungs, a starting cry: emotion. Her heart beat's lulling; in your ears: "you're mine, my sweet love". Her skin is soft, her voice is music and she loves you. Life is gonna be a candlelight, a giant cake: emotion. Life is gonna be so many toys, so many friends: emotion. You can do everything you want: you're in control now. There's no resistance, all you have is what you want now.

(your) Life is gonna be, life is gonna be your laughter, love and more emotion.

Life is gonna be, life is gonna be sweet night kiss and a fairy tale.

Life is gonna be, life is gonna be... You're sure you're really free?

Free! Love can only heal you; love can only set you free.

Love will never bind you; love can only heal you; love can only set you free.

REALITY

Brother?

My life is gonna be just only a dream, blocked in a shiny tombstone.

I'm your brother still but other names they have placed upon my tombstone.

I'm just a cell, I'm just a scrap, something to forget

and at the best, a bit (of) discomfort to our makers.

Life is gonna be, life is gonna be an endless winter, a vile vial agony.

Life is gonna be, life is gonna be the fridge embrace, the foggy crapper.

Life is gonna be, life is gonna be liquid nitrogen for me.

How we pay the price of other's choice? They choose to call it "love-love".

Lust, possession, love, desire are ghosts if I have to live in this form.

And bro, if you think about it, are you sure to be loved?

Might this love be possession? Doubts are not an option.

Life is gonna be, life is gonna be an endless winter, a vile vial agony.

Life is gonna be, life is gonna be the fridge embrace, the foggy crapper.

Life is gonna be, life is gonna be... Mum swap and let me be!





FATHER'S PRIDE

Nurse Congratulations Mister, here's your son.

Captain Thank God it's a boy,

the one who'll take my names on. Father to son. Generation to generation, creation on motion, temptation, emotion, relation, glorification,

he's my name! My name!

5 KNIGHT OF VALOR

PLAYGROUND

I am just a little boy, skinny and proud without a doubt.
I'm inspired by the mates who choose to never seek me out.
I am fighting for my land, knight of valor of the realm,
standing tall behind my banner with a lion on its crest.

But at times I feel my crusade as a heavy cage instead, alone and shunted by the others; tell me now who can I save. Who can save me? Who can save me now?
(I just wanna be like the others, I just wanna be myself)

Trees and birds are my companions, Red Fish talks about the Trout, he reports abuse of justice while manhandling all the above.

HOW BAD THINGS ARE?

And I'm mistreated too, I'm the Shark or just his catch?

Why all my father's lashing caught me ever on my back?

And if I can really be the King's right hand, why it's always him who's crushing my bones?



THE TWISTED KNOT

Captain What a nightmare, what a shame!

He's a worthless animal!

Dark-red blood stains on my face.

Does my teaching please the Lord?

No backbone, no trace of glory, and I have to teach him dignity, nobility, command. It's useless, it's useless!

I teach him dignity breaking his bones. I teach him loyalty hitting him hard.

A DARK SECRET

Captain He asked me about his "mother". I told him she's dead.

The truth is a danger, but the whore is going to rest.

The pact was honored, gold for a son.

But when the product is defective must the promises be held?

How can I fix him? Where is the key?

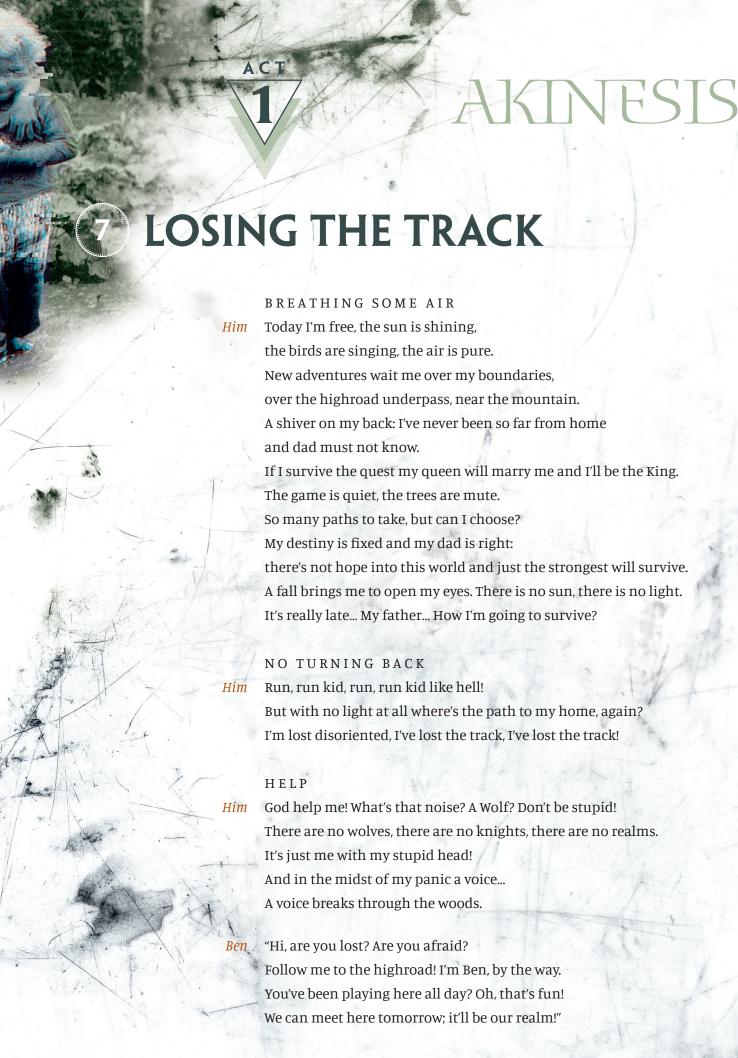
There's nail inside his brain,
a splinter of his mother, a splinter of himself.

But in my heart, I know a bastard will never be good.

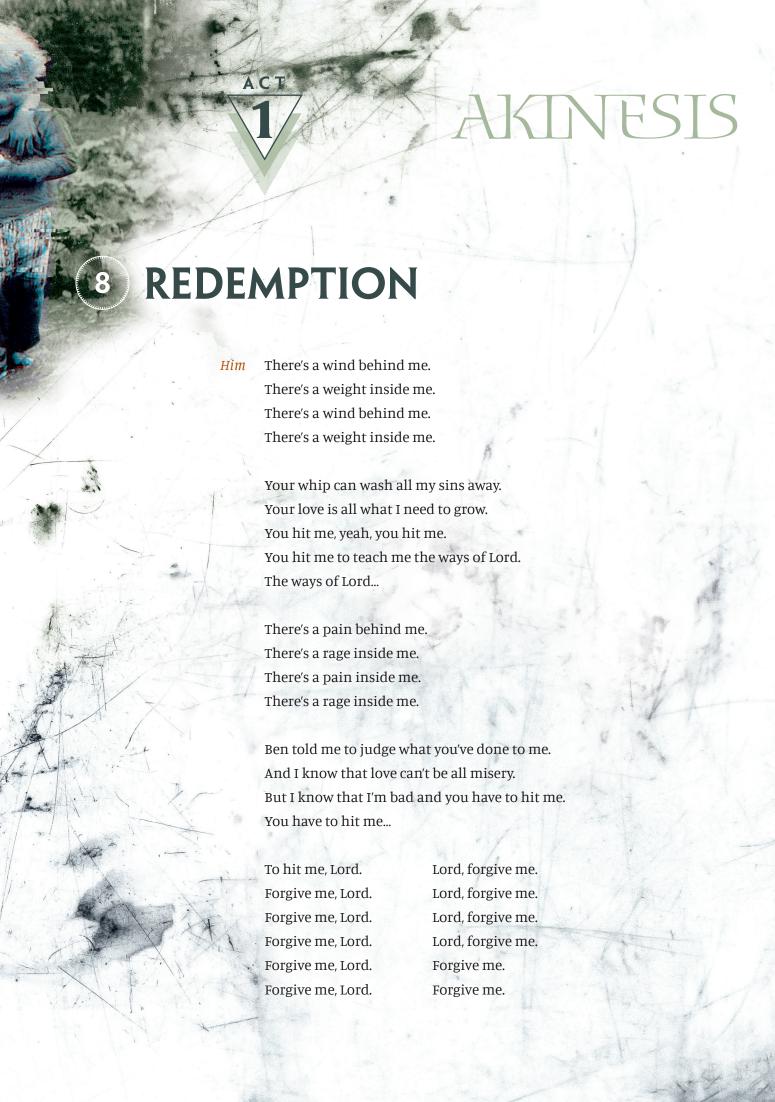
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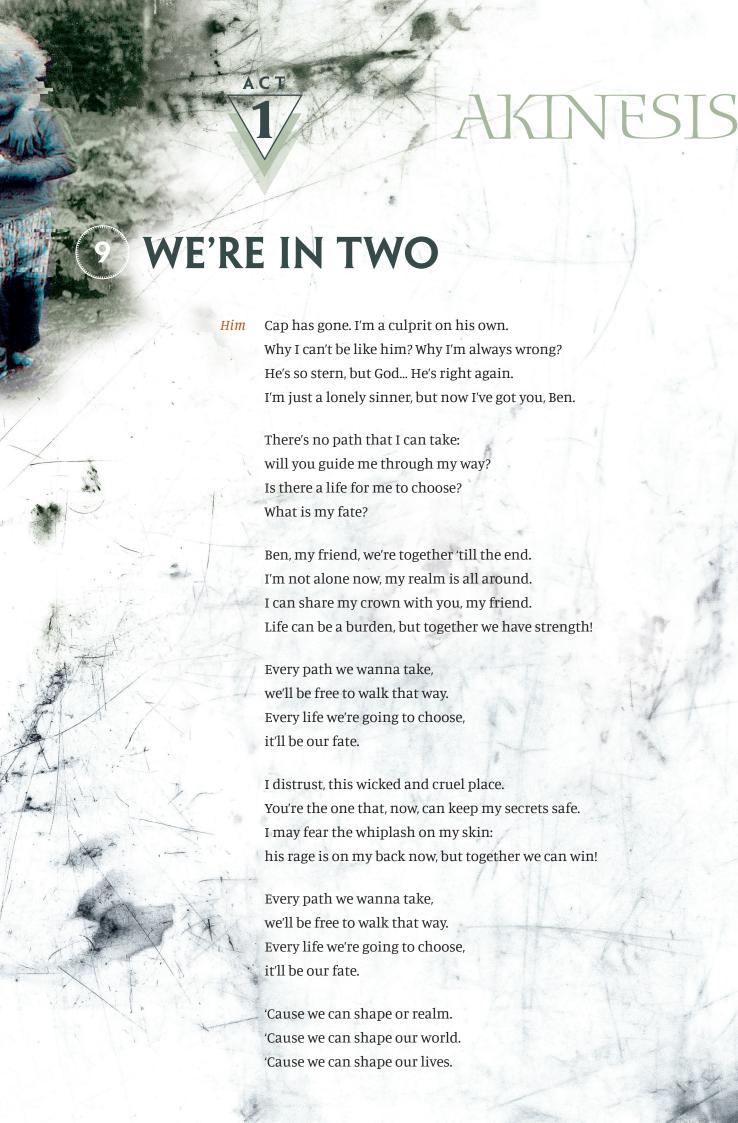
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Him A boy, a smile, a friend!







10) HUNTERS

HEROES

Him See the streets, see the crowd, this people staring at us.
We're the one who keep their lives safe.

We're the one who tend their home while they're away.

Him We can walk *Ben* We can walk

head high,
no fear,
you and I.

head high,
no fear,
you and I.

Me and you...

BOULEVARD TO HELL

Him Bouncing high,

Running wild. Ben Surf the stream!
Cross the line! Cross the line!

Him and Ben We are young, bold, and no one can stand a chance!

We are young, bold, and no one can stand a chance!

Him Oh, my friend! It's the world the playground we held.

Him and Ben Through the streets, through the town, just one rule and just one sound!

Through the streets, through the town, just one rule and just one sound!

Ben Breathe my friend, breathe and in one glance embrace the world!

Breathe my friend, breathe and in one glance embrace the world!

Him and Ben You and I, comrades, brothers in arms,

knight of this new kingdom, ruler of this world.

We can steal an apple, we can break a glass,

let's nick a car and smash all up.

(We are the Kings! Smash!)

Him Talk with me, play with me, we're a pack of wolves.

Him and Ben Time to hunt, time to win.

Time to hunt, time to win.

Time to hunt, time to win.

Time to hunt, time to win!



11) NOTHING IS AS IT SEEMS

The good town's folk

He's strange, queer, shy but impolite, strutting around like he owns the place. He's strange, queer, shy but impolite, strutting around like he owns the place.

Making mischief and talking. Making mischief and talking, talking, talking.

Talking, talking, talking.

He continuously repeats:
Ben here and Ben there,
Ben here and Ben there.
But no Ben there's here
and no Ben there's there
and no Ben there's there
and no Ben there's there

Freak! You're a danger, unworthy a single dollar; you thief, you witless tramp, you stinking stranger.
Where's your mother, answer to me! Build a beast imply employ a mother? Stop daydreaming and talking.
Stop daydreaming and talking, talking talking!

Talking,

talking,

talking,

talking,

talking by yourself!
Talking by yourself!

Him Hey, Ben, look at that girl! She's amazing!

Ben Yeah! you're right, she is! Look at that bitch, we can both have her! And what about the whiskey bottles in the store.

Him Yeah! We can drink them straight!

Him Hey! Who you're speaking about? You're speaking about me? Sure? I'm not strange, c'mon! Maybe a bit fucking impolite, but not strange and I'm not strutting! I'm not strutting, how can you say that? This is my realm, I'm your savior, you love me!

Mischief!? What are you saying? You're in my realm. I'm in charge here! All this is my stuff! Who do you think you're talking to? You bastard!

Yeah, I'm talking, and why shouldn't I? I'm the King! Ben, have you heard? She's crazy! We're the heroes! They should thank us, revere us, love us! What she's saying is preposterous, absurd! C'mon, bend the knee! Bend the knee and I'll forgive you.

What? What you're talking about!? Are you fucking blind? He's Here! Look! Leave Ben out of this game, I'm not here to listen to your tales! He's been my savior and for us it's time to hunt, it's time to win!

Stop! Please, please, don't tell more. No! I don't wanna hear you! No! Don't speak to me! Just leave me alone! Just leave me alone, please! Please! Just leave me alone! I don't wanna be here, you bastard! You are too bastard! I don't wanna here you anymore! It's torturing me! No! Please stop!





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